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Britain Spurns India's Friendship

We Asked For Bread And Got Stone

MAHATMA ON VICEROY'S STATEMENT

Congress Will Have To Go Into Wilderness Again

RESIGNATION OF MINISTRIES IMMINENT?

RESPONSIBLE Indian opinion sees in the lengthy statement issued by the Viceroy blasted hopes of a clear understanding between the British Government and the Indian people. Far-reaching political developments are indicated in press statements by those who can speak with authority on behalf of the Indian nation.

STONE FOR BREAD

Mahatma Gandhi in a statement says : "The congress asked for bread and it has got a stone. What the future has in store for India I dare not foretell. The Congress will have to go into the wilderness again before it becomes strong and pure enough to reach its objective."

NO TRUCK WITH IT

He characterises the Viceroy's statement as reiteration of the "old policy of divide and rule" and says that " the Congress will not be a party to it nor can the India of the Congress conception be partner with Britain in his war with Herr Hitler."

FRIENDSHIP SPURNED

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad in a joint statement say:

"THE WHOLE STATEMENT IS A COMPLETE REPUDIATION OF ALL THAT INDIA STANDS FOR NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY. THERE IS NO MENTION IN IT OF INDEPENDENCE, FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY OR SELF-DETERMINATION.

"THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP THAT THE CONGRESS HAD EXTENDED HAS BEEN SPURNED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

"THE HOUR IS A GRAVE ONE AND REQUIRES ALL OUR UNITED WISDOM AND COURAGE AND DISCIPLINE AND MUTUAL FORBEARANCE. LET US BEAR OURSELVES WITH DIGNITY AND RESTRAINT AND HOLD TOGETHER IN THE CAUSE OF INDIA'S FREEDOM."

"C. R." MEETS GOVERNOR

While such is the reaction with Viceregal statement, quick developments are also taking place in other spheres. A Madras report says that "C. R." had a long interview with the Governor today at the Government House. It is considered probable that orders of dismissal may be received much earlier than expected.

An Allahabad report says that the Congress High Command has already informally advised Congress Ministries to remain in readiness to resign office at a short notice.

ZETLAND ALSO SPEAKS

Lord Zetland, Secretary of State for India, has also spoken at great length in the House of Lords. His speech is a paraphrase of what the Viceroy stated and contains nothing new or different. He raises the usual bogey of communal discord.

MAHATMA GANDHI

Mahatma's Statement

WARDHA, Oct. 18.

Mahatma Gandhi has issued the following statement regarding the Viceroy's declaration:—

"The Viceregal declaration is profoundly disappointing. It would have been better if the British Government had declined to make any declaration whatsoever. The long statement made by the Viceroy simply shows that the old policy of divide and rule is to continue.

"So far as I can see, the Congress will be no party to it, nor can the India of Congress conception be a partner with Britain in her war with Herr Hitler."

STONE INSTEAD OF BREAD

"The Indian declaration shows clearly that there is to be no de-

CONGRESS WORKING COMMITTEE

Will Meet At Wardha On Oct. 22

PATNA, Oct. 18.

The Congress Working Committee will meet at Wardha on October 22, according to announcement made by the Congress President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad will leave for Wardha to-morrow night.—A.P.

mocracy for India if Britain can prevent it. Another Round Table Conference is promised at the end of the war. Like its predecessor it is bound to fail. The Con-

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DISMISSAL ORDER IMMINENT

(From Our Correspondent.)

MADRAS, Oct. 18.

"My knapsack is ready" was the cryptic comment by a leading Congressman here on the Viceroy's statement. The consensus of opinion here is that the Ministries should take up the Viceroy's challenge and get out. Though individual Congressmen are not willing to commit themselves the Premier's statement short and sweet is interpreted as speaking the mind of the Congress and is taken as a bold lead given to the nation.

Ministers had informal talks with the Premier both last night and this morning.

"C. R." had a long interview with the Governor to-day at the Government House. It is considered probable that orders of dismissal may be received much earlier than expected.

"BREAK-UP IMMINENT"

High Command's Advice To Congress Ministries

(From Our Correspondent).

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 18.

An unconfirmed report states: "Break-up" is imminent as a result of the Viceroy's declaration and Congress leaders' reaction to the same.

It is stated that the Congress High Command has already informally advised Congress Ministries to remain in readiness to resign office at a short notice.

EGYPTIAN SENATE BACKS GOVERNMENT

CAIRO. Oct. 18.

The senate by 68 votes to 59 has approved a Royal Decree giving Government full powers.—Reuter.

RAJEN BABU'S STATEMENT ON PAGE 7.

On Western Front

Fresh German Troops Arrive

REVIEW OF FIRST BIG ENCOUNTER

French Trap Nazi Hordes: Evacuation From Moselle Sector

PARIS, Oct. 18.

The Germans are pouring fresh troops into the narrow Western Front. Throughout the night the roads ten or twelve miles to the rear were crowded with traffic. Trains rumbled upto stations behind the lines and men and guns were unloaded in a continuous stream.

Observers on the French side could see headlights constantly switched on and off and in the front line electric lights twinkled and matches flared as officers and men fumbled for positions in the dark.—Reuter.

BRITISH FIGHTER SHOT DOWN

LONDON, Oct. 18.

French troops evacuated more German territory between Moselle and Palatinate Forest (Pfalzerwald) along the frontier yesterday, states a German High Command communique.

During an air combat a British fighter was shot down.

One German 'plane was brought down by British anti-aircraft fire.—Reuter.

INSIGNIFICANT FRENCH LOSSES

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The French communique issued this morning says:

There was activity on either side between front line units. There was no fresh attack by Germans last night.

It is authoritatively stated that French losses in Monday's attacks were insignificant. French advance posts stayed until they saw Germans actually begin to advance, then fired signals for a barrage of artillery and machine-gun fire. They then fell back on defensive positions.

Reports that tanks and men in armour were used by Germans are unfounded and comparatively few infantry were employed and it is clear that the Germans have not yet launched a big-scale attack.—Reuter.

Ambushes And Trench Raids During Night

PARIS, Oct. 18.

A Communique says: "There are intense movements by road and rail behind the enemy lines. During the night there were ambushes and trench raids."—Reuter.

GERMAN LOSSES

PARIS, Oct. 18.

Critics further examining the German attack east of the Saar in which it is estimated that 150,000 troops were engaged emphasize that nowhere were they able to advance beyond the line designated by General Gamelin. Tanks were unusable because the terrain was heavily mined. The Germans encountered such a withering fire and could not even get into handgrenade range of the French lines. The German losses are believed to be over 6,000.

FRENCH ON GERMAN SOIL

Luxembourg reports say that a great number of wounded have been evacuated to Treves and Aixla-Chapelle. The Germans are now trying to dig in the ground accurately plotted by the French artillery. The French are still on German soil miles ahead of the Maginot Line.—Reuter.

Zetland Raises Bogey Of Communalism

APOLOGIA FOR VICEROY'S DECLARATION

ALTHOUGH the people of India differ, in races, religions and languages, there is one overriding factor—common love of motherland—which gives them unity which is stronger than their differences, said Lord Snell during the Lords' debate following on Lord Zetland's statement on the Viceroy's declaration on "India and War Aims."

BOGEY OF COMMUNALISM

LORD ZETLAND IN A LENGTHY STATEMENT REFERS TO "OBSTACLES TO INDIA'S GOAL," AS "MINORITIES' FEARS", AND "CONFLICTING INTERESTS" AND APPEALS TO THE COUNTRY FOR ACHIEVING COMMUNAL UNITY BEFORE ASPIRING FOR RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT.

SANKEY'S OPTIMISM

Lord Sankey, referring to the Consultative Committee said as far as it goes, it is a good idea, but does not go far enough. "The loyalty of India is assured," and he hoped it will be rewarded with Dominion Status at the end of war.

TEXT OF SPEECHES

LONDON, Oct. 18.

"It will perhaps be for the convenience of your lordships, if I preface what I have to say with a brief objective account of events in India immediately preceding and following the invasion of Poland by Germany," said Lord Zetland in the House of Lords.

On the outbreak of the war, one thing was immediately made apparent and that was that the overwhelming feeling of the Indian people from one end of the country to the other was one of violent protest against the outrage committed by the Nazi Government against decencies of civilised existence and of deep detestation of all that the methods associated with the name of Herr Hitler stands for and that feeling as I pointed out in the course of a few words, which I addressed to your lordships on September 26 found expression in spontaneous offers of support from men and women of all creeds and classes and communities.

Yet, while this was so, it was a fact that the most numerous and most powerful political party in India, the Indian National Congress, had committed itself some time earlier, to a specific attitude in the event of War breaking out in which Great Britain was involved. Their attitude was further defined, when early in August they took exception to certain precautionary methods taken by His Majesty's Government and the Government of India in pursuance of their obligation to secure the safety of India and as an indication of their disapproval of action taken, they called upon Congress members of the Central Legislative Assembly to refrain from attending the forthcoming session.

FOR INDIA'S SAFETY!

The particular measure to which exception was taken was the dispatch of external defence troops from India to Egypt and Aden and Singapore. This action was taken on the urgent advice of the Highest Naval and Military authorities. The situation, at that time, was such that the possibility of a threat to the safety of India, both from West and from East, could not be excluded and from the military point of view it was essen-

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LORD ZETLAND

SOVIET COAL FOR GERMANY?

Report Not Without Foundation: Butler On Halifax's 'Belief'

LONDON, Oct. 18.

It is estimated that Soviet troops are in occupation of some 8,000 square miles to the west of the Curzon line in Poland, according to Mr. R. A. Butler in reply to a question in the Commons.

Asked whether the Prime Minister's attention had been drawn to the fact that a large consignment of coal, said to be the first consignment had been transferred by the Soviet Government to Germany, Mr. Butler replied that Lord Halifax had reason to believe that the report was not without foundation.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S FOOD SUPPLY

Argentine Wheat And Meat And Danish Bacon And Butter

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 18.

Reduction is announced from seven and half to three per cent in Danish Marine War-risk insurance on goods destined to Britain and France in Danish ships or those of twelve other neutrals.

Denmark has resumed export of agricultural produce to Great Britain which was interrupted owing to the hold up of ships.

Exports to Britain last week included eleven million pounds of bacon and six and half million lbs. of butter.—Reuter.

ENEMY AIRCRAFT OVER SCAPA FLOW?

LONDON, October 18

The Air Ministry announces that enemy aircraft, apparently on reconnaissance, were seen to approach Scapa Flow from the direction of Kirkwall and Duncansbyhead today.

No bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

AIR RAID ON KIRKWALL

2 Bombs Dropped; No Civilian Casualties

LONDON, October 18.

It is learned that six air-raid warnings were sounded at Kirkwall and Orkneys yesterday. During the raids two bombs fell on civilian property, one on the island of flotta and the other on the island of Hoy.

There were no civilian casualties. Withering fire from anti-aircraft batteries and warships forced the raiders to fly at a great height one machine which daringly power-dived was brought down and another was brought down at Hoy. The pilot escaped by parachute and was taken prisoner.—Reuter.

ARGENTINE WHEAT AND MEAT FOR ALLIES

LONDON, Oct. 18.

A message from Buenos Aires says that the Argentine Government will supply 175,000 tons of wheat and 300,000 tons of meat for a period of sixteen weeks to the British and French Governments.—Reuter.

MEATLESS DAYS FOR FRANCE

PARIS, Oct. 18.

Henceforth no meat may be sold or served in restaurants on Mondays and beef may not be sold or served on Tuesdays.—Reuter.

"ROYAL OAK" CASUALTIES

LONDON Oct. 18

The Admiralty announce that the total number of survivors of the "Royal Oak" is 424 and total lost 810.—Reuter.

MUTINY ON GERMAN SHIP

Captain Ordered To Return But Crew Refuses To Budge

PARIS, Oct. 18.

The crew of the German steamer "Heligoland" lying at pier to Colombia on the Caribbean sea has mutinied according to reports from Bogota.

The captain had been ordered to return to Germany but the crew, partly Chinese, refused.

The Colombian authorities decided that the crew must obey orders and it is expected, the vessel will now sail.—Reuter.

300 SURVIVORS PICKED UP

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.

The master of the United States steamer "Independence Hall" sent a wireless message to the Maritime Commission that she picked up 300 survivors of the Ellerman Liner "City of New Mandalay."

"Independence Hall" was "en route" to New York from Bordeaux.

It is reported her position is 500 miles west for the French coast.—Reuter.

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1218.

P. W. D.

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Tender forms with specifications at Rs. 5/- each and other particulars may be obtained on any working day up to 4 P.M. (2 P.M. on Saturdays) (S.T.) except the day of receiving the tenders.

N. V. S. MURTI,
Executive Engineer,
Presidency.
(1221)

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A. ORR.
Chairman.
Coal Wagon Supply Committee.
Calcutta,
Dated the 11th October, 1939.
(1201).

THE CITY OF BOMBAY MUNICIPAL ACT, 1888.

As modified up to date

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Dated this 16th day of October, 1939.

M. D. BHAT.
Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.
1220.

Public Notices

P. W. D.

SEALED PERCENTAGE RATE TENDERS for "Police Accommodation Scheme at Vile Parle (part I)" will be received in the office of the undersigned on Tuesday the 31st October, 1939, up to 4 p.m. (S.T.) and opened on the same day. Approximate cost of work Rs. 2,00,000/-.

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N. V. S. MURTI.
Executive Engineer, Presidency.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

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Petition for Probate of the last will and testament of LIMBAJIRAO DATTAJIRAO GAIKWAD, alias LIMBAJIRAO DATTAJIRAO GAEKWAD, alias L. D. GAEKWAD, alias L. D. GAIKWAD, alias LIMBAJIRAO D. GAIKWAD, alias LIMBAJIRAO D. GAEKWAD of Baroda Maratha Hindu Inhabitant, an Executive Engineer Baroda State, residing at Baroda . . Deceased.

(1.) SHANKER KESHAV DEVAL, Baroda Municipal Engineer, Baroda City, residing at Sayaji Ganj, Baroda, (2.) CHHOTALAL JHAVERBHAI SUTARIA, Pleader residing at Jogidas Vithaldas Pole, Baroda, two of the three Executors named in the last will and testament of the abovenamed deceased. . . Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness SIR JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 7th day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and in the third year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) R. B. PATEL,
Prothonotary and Senior Master

(Sd.) TAHIR ALI.

The 7th day of October, 1939.
Messrs. PURNANAND & JASUBHAI,
Petitioners' Attorneys.
(1224)

Public Notices

P. W. D.

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ROOSEVELT URGES SOLUTION OF REFUGEE PROBLEM

Settlements In Africa, America And Asia Suggested

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.

Addressing the luncheon of the inter-Governmental Committee on Political Refugees, President Roosevelt urged a redoubled vigour in helping the 300,000 people rendered homeless before the war started in order to cope with the possibility of an infinitely greater refugee problem after the war.

There were many vacant spaces he said, where European settlers could live permanently such as many portions in the African, American and Austral-Asian sections of the globe.—Reuter.

MISREPRESENTATION OF MAHATMA

Thompson Tells Of Stories Going Round In England

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 18.

Startling Revelations have come to light regarding what has been going round the House of Commons about Gandhiji. It is reported that Mr. Edward Thompson, the British historian who visited Allahabad recently, threw some light on the curious mentality prevailing in England. Mr. Thompson, who met some political leaders here, is reported to have told them three things going round the House of Commons regarding Gandhiji.

1, Gandhiji was for unconditional co-operation with the British Government.

2, Gandhiji could still influence the Congress.

3, There were various stories about Gandhiji's sensual life it being the impression that Gandhiji had ceased to be a saint.

Impressions about Gandhiji's "sensual life", it appeared to Mr. Thompson was based on some Marathi papers. He spoke about them, I understand, to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru. Who repudiated them. He spoke about it to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. P. N. Sapru also, who strongly repudiated them.

It appears Mr. Thompson, before leaving England, had seen several members of the House of Commons. Mr. Thompson before leaving Allahabad sent a letter to Mr. Greenwood, M. P. on the suggestion of Pandit Nehru pointing out that the stories regarding Gandhiji were absolutely baseless.

According to Mr. Thompson Mr. Greenwood had told him "We want India to come behind us but on terms." Mr. Thompson thought that general elections in the provinces should be declared and new assemblies be left to determine what powers be given and generous protection to the minorities. Mr. Thompson left for Delhi to see the Viceroy.

JAPANESE TRADE TALKS DELEGATES

NEW DELHI, Oct. 18.

Mr. Wakamatsu, Consul General for Japan, arrived here last night for the Indo-Japanese trade talks which were expected to commence shortly. The Japanese advisers will arrive from Bombay on Friday night and will pay a courtesy visit to the Government of India's delegate, Sir Allan Lloyd. The date for the formal meeting will be settled later but meanwhile, preliminary talks will start from the next week.

Owing to international situation and restrictions on exports and imports and exchange problems, it is believed, preliminary negotiations will take time to be settled to pave the way for taking up questions arising out of working cotton protocol and the memorandum submitted to the Government of India by the Indian un-official Advisers in Simla. —United Press.

MUFTI OF JERUSALEM IN BAGDAD

BAGDAD, Oct. 17.

The Mufti of Jerusalem arrived here unexpectedly from Lebanon and was met by many well-known supporters of the pan-Arab movement and prominent Moslem religious leaders.

It is thought his visit may have an important bearing on the future of Palestine, particularly with regard to the present international situation.

Arabic journals have been dwelling on Iraq's "benevolent interest in the welfare of Palestine Arabs who have expressed their desire to live in Iraq until their present difficulties are overcome."—Reuter.

The sessions judge of Khandwa has granted bail to 28 Muslims who have been arrested and prosecuted by the police on the alleged charge of participating in the communal riot which had taken place there recently.

EX-MINISTER SATISFIED WITH VICEROY'S STATEMENT

Democratic Swarajist Holds Advisory Committee Will Prove Touch-Stone

Interviewed about the Viceroy's statement, Sir Dhanjishaw Cooper, ex-Minister, Bombay Government stated: "I am thoroughly satisfied with the Viceroy's statement."

Considering the interests of the various political organisations and minority communities, the statement to his mind could not have been better and His Excellency had shown the earnestness to prepare the whole country for Dominion Status and in that preparation he thought that all political groups and parties should co-operate with him.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, Leader of the Democratic Swaraj Party in the Bombay Assembly, interviewed stated that his first impression on the Viceroy's statement was satisfactory in so far as it related to the declaration of Dominion Status, as the future political status of India. Doubts had, however, arisen as the Preamble of the Government of India Act 1935 omitted any reference to Dominion Status but the Viceroy had now pointed out that "the words of Lord Irwin in 1929 were clear and positive and that they were enshrined in the Parliamentary record and that they stand as a definite and categorical exposition of the policy of His Majesty's Government to-day in this end for the future constitutional development and position of India."

WHAT IT LACKS

So far the pronouncement according to Mr. Mehta, was as satisfactory as it might be expected. But there would be a little disappointment that beyond the declaration, no further step was to be taken to implement it, while the war lasted. The disappointment could have been mitigated, if the Viceroy had stated quite clearly that at the end of the war, immediate steps would be taken for the establishment of Dominion Status in the country. But there was no trace of any such promise. On the contrary, all that the country was promised was some modification of the details of the constitutional position, as outlined in the Government of India Act.

With regard to the limited connotation of the promise contained in the statement, he confessed he was disappointed and he thought that it was necessary to remind the Viceroy that disunity in India was a creation of the Foreign Government and it was their duty to take the initiative to remove the cause, which was responsible for separatism in the country. Having created the bogey of communal disunity it was not fair to point it out as an excuse for blocking progress.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

"As regards the measures for securing India's co-operation in the War they limit themselves to the constitution of an Advisory Committee, about the constitution and powers of which no detailed statement is made. If the Advisory Committee were made a real, live body, entitled to the fullest information and if the Governor-General agrees to follow the advice of the Committee, I think the country will be prepared to consider the details."

SIR H. P. MODY'S VIEW

Sir H. P. Mody says:

"The Viceroy's statement must deeply disappoint those who had made up their minds that a major constitutional change could and should be made immediately, if India's willing participation in the War was to be secured. To others, the pronouncement has caused no surprise whatever. In the present state of India's political disunity, and in the midst of the life and death struggle in which a great part of the civilized world is engaged, constitutional changes of a far-reaching character could not reasonably be expected.

"No one denies the claim of the Congress to be much the largest political organisation in the country; but the Congress must recognize that there are elements in the body politic which, too, have a right to exist and be heard, and if a fresh approach to the position of those who stand outside the Congress is made in a spirit different from that which is in evidence to-day, I have no doubt that a greater political cohesion would emerge from such a contact. As things are moving, all the elements for a major internal conflict some day are there; not merely between community and community, but what is even more dangerous, between class and class."

SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTING. SAYS EX-SHERIFF

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

"The statement issued by His Excellency the Viceroy is somewhat disappointing. The sincerity of purpose is however quite apparent throughout the statement," says Mahomedbhoy I. M. Rowjee, ex-Sheriff of Bombay and President of His Highness the Aga Khan's Supreme Council of Bombay Presidency.

PREFERABLE TO NAZIS

Mr. Rowjee adds: "It was primarily the duty of the Indian political leaders, however, to place before the Viceroy their united demand with one voice and thus strengthen the hands of the Viceroy to press the demands before the British Government. As usual, they have sadly fallen short of the unity expected of them on an occasion like this.

"Let us hope, however, that the statement is not the last word on the matter.

"It is the universal opinion of the Indian people that between the two—the British Government and the Nazi Government—the former is by far the more preferable. And it is in the best interest of India, therefore, to preserve her connections with Britain rather than fall a prey in the hands of the Nazis."

PLEA FOR UNITY

Mr. Rowjee appeals to political leaders of all shades to put their heads together and to arrive at a practical and workable formula for placing it before the Viceroy so that he may use his influence with the British Government to concede the same.—United Press.

"NOT UNREASONABLE OR UNDIPLOMATIC"

Prof. S. R. Davar, M.L.C. did not think the statement of H. E. the Viceroy on the policy of the Great Britain towards India as unreasonable or undiplomatic. If a democratic constitution has to succeed, it should be framed entirely on different lines from that of the United Kingdom. He had felt that the working of the present constitution in the Bombay Province has done more injury than good to the interests of the minorities. This has been borne out by the agitation not only of the Muslims but even a minority community like the Parsis.

REASONABLE, SAYS SHROFF

Interviewed by the "Chronicle" representative in connection with the Viceroy's statement on Britain's policy with regard to India, Mr. K. R. P. Shroff President, Stock Exchange, said "The Viceroy's statement under the circumstances is reasonable, but I think it is not likely to satisfy the demands of the Congress."

LIBERAL LEADERS KEEP MUM

Sir Cowasji Jehangir and Sir Chimanlal Setalwad did not want to make any statement as they are waiting for the meeting of the Liberals on Saturday when they will consider this matter thoroughly and openly.

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Thursday, October 19.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (660 kc/s)

8-0 a.m. Radio Orchestra. 8-5 Kumari Dipali Taluqdar. 8-20 Fayyaz Mohammad. 8-0 Shamshad Begam. 9-20 Shrimati Abnash Kaur. 9-30 Duets from Stage. 9-40 Shahane. 10-5 Subha Rangin. 10-15 Marathi Pads. 11-30 For Classic Lover. 11-Jacques String Orchestra. 1-12 Inst. Variety. 1-35 Flying High. 5-0 Duets from Screen. 5-10 Shamshad Begam. 5-30 Apni Apni Tan. 5-40 Vocal. 6-10 Inst. Interlude. 6-15 Datia Ka Duscnra (H). 6-30 N. Shahane. 6-50 Shrimati Abnash Kaur. 7-5 Kumari Dipali Taluqdar. 7-20 Fayyaz Mohammad. 7-30 For Villagers. 8-15 Music from North. 8-30 Teach Yourself, (from Bombay). 8-45 N. Shahane. 9-45 Muse and Music. 10-0 Fayyaz Mohammad. 10-15 Shamshad Begam.

Delhi II—Programme

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)

8-0 to 10-30 a.m. and 11-30 to 2-0 As in Delhi 1.

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5-0 to 6-30 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 6-30 Shamshad Begam. 6-40 Saz Sangeet. 6-55 Fayyaz Mohammad. 7-15 Shrimati Abnash Kaur. 7-25 Durga on Clarionet. 7-30 Yad Awat Hain. 7-45 Pakhawaj. 8-0 Kumari Dipali Taluqdar. 8-15 to 9-45 As in Delhi 1. 9-45 Narainrao Shahane. 10-0 Durbari on Surbahar. 10-10 Sajani.

Delhi III—Programme

19.62 metres (15,290 kc/s)

8-40 to 9-0 a.m. As in Delhi 1. 9-10 to 10-30 As in Delhi 1. 11-30 to 2-0 p.m. As in Delhi 1.

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)

5-45 to 7-0 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 8-25 to 8-45 As in Delhi 1. 9-0 to 10-35 As in Delhi 1.

Lahore Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

8-0 a.m. Music (I). 9-0 Music (I). 1-0 p.m. Records. 6-10 M. A. F. A. Qawwal. 6-20 Nirmala Devi. 6-30 For Countryside. 7-0 Channun Khan. 7-15 Nirmala Devi. 7-30 Siraj Ahmad. 7-40 Mohammad Iqbal. 7-4. Nazeer Husain. 7-50 Inst. Music. 8-0 Hiking (H). 8-15 M. A. F. A. Qawwal. 8-35 Inst. Trio. 8-45 Channun Khan. 9-45 N. Vyas. 9-55 M. A. F. A. Qawwal. 10-10 Nirmala Devi.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8-0 a.m. Keep Fit! 8-10 Kamala Jharia. 8-15 News (M). 8-20 News (G). 8-25 B. G. Khaladker. 8-35 Parsekar and Ramnathkar. 8-40 News (H). 8-50 News (E). 9-0 J. Pandharpurkar. 9-30 Surbahar and Sarinda. 9-40 Ghulam Mohammad. 12-30 p Musical Variety. 12-57 News (H). 1-0 Orchestral Melodies. 1-10 Mutual Understanding. 1-25 Rajen Sarkar. 1-36 News (E). 1-35 Music. 5-0 Ditties from Classics. 5-15 F Songs. 5-25 News (M). 5-30 News (G). 5-55 K. C. Dey. 6-0 News (E). 6-5 News 6-10 Saraswati Mane. 6-30 Ladies' Compartment. 7-0 Shakti Puja (G). 7-15 Ap Ka Khat Mila. 7-30 Com. News. 7-45 Shalini Raiji and Party. 7-55 News (M). 8-10 News (G). 8-25 Shalini Raiji and Party. 8-30 Teach Yourself. 14. 8-45 G. Mohammad. 8-55 Talk of Town. 9-0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-45 Benjamino Gigli: Tenor. 9-50 Orchestra of H. E. Governor.

Bombay II—Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8-0 to 10 a.m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5-0 to 6-10 As in Bombay 1. 6-10 Karim Khan. 6-20 Rafique Ghaznavi. 6-30 to 7- As in Bombay 1. 7-15 B G. Khaladker. 7-30 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1. 9-30 Saraswati Mane. 9-45 Ghulam Mohammad. 10-0 Pandharpurkar. 10-30 Late News.

Calcutta I—Programme

(Add 24 minutes for Calcutta time).

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

8-30 a.m. News (B). 8-40 D. Chatterjee. 9-10 R. Roy. 10-30 Variety. 12-30 p. m. Who's Hooper? 1-30 For You, Madam! 1-50 Welcome Autumn! 2-15 Here You Are!, 2. 5-0 Variety. 5-30 For Countryside. 6-30 Shrivastava. 6-55 Angurbala. 7-10 N. Mukherjee. 7-30 Angurbala. 7-45 Bhowani Das. 8-5 Music. 5. 8-20 Region Foort. 9-10 Road to Enchantment, 2. 9-30 Just Four Songs. 9-45 Kankavati. 10-5 B. Bhattacharya.

Calcutta II—Programme

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s)

8-30 to 9-30 a.m. and 10-30 to 11-30 As in Calcutta 1.

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Calcutta 1.

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

8-0 to 5-30 p.m. As in Calcutta 1. 5-30 B. D. Gupta. 5-45 G. D. Gupta. 6-0 Bijan Kumar Bose. 6-15 A. K. Mallik. 6-30 to 9-30 As in Calcutta 1. 9-30 Rhythm on Ivories. 9-45 Old and New. 10-0 Charles Campbell.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. A. T. Kalyanam. 7-45 Folk Melodies (T). 8-0 News in Telugu. 8-10 B. S. Raja Iyengar: Voice. 8-40 Inst. Finale 1-0 p.m. Shrimati S. Kittamma: Voice. 1-35 For Women (T). 4-0 Children's Educational Broadcasts. 4-30 Music (E). 5-0 Shrimatis Neela and Lochana. 5-20 P. N. S. Bhagavathar: Voice. 6-5 Vangala Vanikan. 6-30 Voice. 7-0 Poeti Fancies, old and new A I R Violinist. 6-45 P. N. S. Bhagavathar: 7-0 Poetic Fancies, Old and New (T). 7-50 Markendeya (T). 8-50 Budalore Krishnamurthi Sastri. Gettuvadyam. 9-0 Intellect by S. Satyamurthi.

Madras II—Programme

31.35 metres (9,570 kc/s)

7-30 to 9-0 a.m. and 1-0 to 2-30 p.m. As in Madras 1.

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

4-0 to 6-5 p.m. As in Madras 1. 6-5 Devotional Songs. 6-15 V. Vakyalu. 6-25 Listeners' Forum. 6-35 After Stage and Screen. 6-45 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 Budalore Krishnamurthy Sastri.

Hyderabad Programme

411 metres (730 kc/s)

9-0 p.m. Master A. Apte. 9-20 "Allama Shibli" (U). 9-35 Amateur attempt by Miss Narbada Bai. 10-15 Amateur attempt by Miss Gangu Bai. 10-25 Amateur attempt by Mrs. Kamala Bai Photdar. 10-35 Master A. Apte.

B. B. C.'s Forthcoming Events

(Week Beginning Otober 22.)

'LEPANTO'—G. K. Chesterton's famous ballad, 'Lepanto,' has been arranged for broadcasting by Val Gielgud, BBC Director of Features and Drama. The ballad deals with the great Battle of Lepanto in the Mediterranean, which Don John of Austria fought against the Soldan of Byzantium in defence of Christendom. Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony will provide appropriate background music.

IT'S THAT MAN AGAIN:—There is nothing serious about 'It's That Man Again,' in which Tommy Handley, one of Britain's most popular radio comedians, runs riot. Handley, when war came, was drafted to the Department of Fun, as head of a section known as ITMA. Secrecy enshrouds ITMA and its workings, but there are expected to be revelations in the coming broadcast.

STRANGE TO RELATE:—Strange and almost incredible facts, drawn from all parts of the world, will be heard by listeners to 'Strange to Relate,' the B.B.C. programme that is based upon Ripley's famous feature, 'Believe It or Not.'

SONGS FROM THE SHOWS:—Introduced by its well-known signature-tune, 'The Stage Revolves,' and compered in his own inimitable way by John Watt, another programme of 'Songs from the Shows' will be heard this week. In these broadcasts, John Watt, the BBC's Director of Variety, brings to the microphone famous screen and stage stars as well as personalities of the air—to sing again the songs that have helped to make them famous. This edition of Watt's musical medley will be built around the popular comedians, Flanagan and Allen, who created the song 'Underneath the Arches' and other well-known favourites.

SING-SONG:—'Enjoyment for everyone'—listeners, artists, audience—is the motto of the BBC's Variety feature, 'Sing-Song' which will be on the air again this week. In it appear not only a cast of top-of-the-bill artists, but a mixed-voice chorus provided with great enthusiasm by the audience in the studio.

STAGE CLASSIC:—In 'Scenes From Great Plays' the BBC has, from time to time, broadcast some of the most outstanding dramatic passages in the history of the stage. This week oversea listeners will hear excerpts from that greatest of romantic plays, Romeo and Juliet.'

Wall-Street Buying On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

ANTICIPATION OF LOAN ANNOUNCEMENT

Scattered Hedging And Realising

BOMBAY, Oct. 18.

OFFERINGS on the New York market were limited on Tuesday and prices advanced on Wall-Street and local buying. The strength of securities, increased military activity in Europe and the anticipation of a loan announcement helped improvement.

The market opened steady and was moderately active. Prices advanced with early steadiness of October despite the issuance of 54 notices on price-fixing for nears and Liverpool and domestic mill buying of distants but some scattered hedging and profit-taking development. The session closed steady.

It is generally anticipated that announcement of loan will have considerable effect on the general sentiment of the market as the low level will be indicated by the loan price and whenever prices are near loan level, there will be fairly heavy buying. Over and above this renewed military activity in Europe created war psychology. Then the market was favourably influenced and the general belief is moderately bullish but in view of fairly heavy supplies of cotton, there is no likelyhood of any substantial rise in the near future. The distant outlook will be guided by political situation in Europe. Thus it is difficult to form any reliable opinion but we think scalping operations will prove profitable

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton futures market opened unchanged with December 8.89 and under scattered selling price declined to 8.88 which was the lowest level. Later on there was active buying and a rise of 12 points from the low level was reached with October 9.00 and this proved to be the highest level. The market was quiet at this level with scattered realising and closed at a net rise of 8 to 14 points. It may be mentioned that October delivery went out of order yesterday and as the delivery maturities come near prices improve in line with spot cotton which closed at a rise of one point at 9.22c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also fairly steady with a moderate demand and closed at a rise of 10 to 13 points. Spot cotton prices gained 11 points at 9.09c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton market opened at a rise of 4 points with January 5.65. Lightness of offerings encouraged local support but conditions were very dull. Later on there was Bombay buying and trade calling which absorbed professional realising. The market closed at a rise of 2 to 5 points Middling American spot cotton prices gained one point at 6.30d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was quiet with a restricted business. Giza futures closed 1 to 2 points down while spot cotton prices declined 6 points at 7.65d. per lb. Uppers futures gained 2 points but January delivery lost 18 points. The Alexandria cotton market was quiet but steady and Sakels declined 3 to 4 points while Ashmouni contracts closed at a rise of 5 points to a decline of 4 points.

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. December Highest (2-34 p.m.)	9.00+11
N. Y. December Lowest (10-3 a.m.)	8.88—01
Liverpool October Highest	5.76+04
Liverpool October Lowest	5.74—02

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York. War psychology. Expectations loan, reviving outside interest. Feel moderately bullish.

Messrs. Kalyanji and Co., have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York.—Trade and foreign buying distants and price-fixing nears caused steadiness. Some scattered hedge selling and realising. Market steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

New Contracts

New York, Oct. 17.

DECEMBER	9.12+08
JANUARY	9.06+10
MARCH	8.95+13
MAY	8.80+10
JULY	8.62+11

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Oct. 17.

December	8.97+08
January	8.91+13
March	8.80+12
May	8.64+14
July	8.44+13
Middling spot	9.22+01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Oct. 17.

December	9.08+10
January	8.97+13
March	8.87
Middling spot	9.09+11

NEW YORK

New York, Oct. 17.

11 a.m. ranges.

December	8.94
March	8.73
May	8.56
Noon Call.	
December	8.94
March	8.72
May	8.56

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Oct. 17.

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U.S. Ports	48,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	50,000
Day's exports to the Continent	15,000
Day's exports to China and Japan	6,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Oct. 17.

October	5.74+02
November	5.65+03
December	5.64+04
January	5.65+04
February	5.64+04
March	5.64+04
April	5.63+04
May	5.63+04
June	5.62+05
July	5.61+05
August	5.59+05
September	5.57+06
October	5.55+06
Middling spot	6.30—03

11-12 a.m. quotations.

January	5.65
March	5.64

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

	H. M.	H. M.
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 40	20 10
Madras Mail	6 00	22 00
Peshawar-Lucknow (Express.)	6 15	22 30
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	9 10	17 40
Madras Express	10 15	14 25
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 36	17 20
Nagpur Express	15 0	20 55
Poona Fast Pass	16 50	11 50
Poona Express	19 32	8 05
Allahabad Express	21 0	6 15
Deccan Queen (on Fridays only)	..	17 15
Deccan Queen (on Mondays only)	10 35	6 40

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	7 25	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21 30
Kathiawar Mail	6-45	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15 (Mon).	21 15 (Sat.)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 45	5
The Flying Ranee Surat	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawr Express	18 45	8 45

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER.

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (on Saturday only for London)	8-40

LONDON BULLION MARKET

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co., have issued the following report dated London Sept. 13:—

GOLD

In accordance with the statement made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on September 6th, the gold held in the Issue Department of the Bank of England has been transferred to the Exchange Equalisation Account, except as regards a nominal amount. The Bank Return of September 6th shows a gold holding of £102,189 at 168 per fine ounce as compared with £263,010,700 at 158/6d. per fine ounce shown on the previous Wednesday, the latter amount, valued at 168 per fine ounce is equivalent to approximately £278,800,000.

The Bank of England's buying price for gold remained unchanged throughout the week at 168 per fine ounce.

The Transvaal gold output for August 1939 was 1,101,573 fine ounces and this established a new monthly high record; the previous record was 1,083,843 fine ounces produced during May 1939. The August 1939 output compares with 1,080,741 fine ounces in July 1939 and 1,047,389 fine ounces in August 1938.

SILVER.

Prices continued to fluctuate widely, the week under review opening with a rise of 1/4d. for cash and 5/16d. for two months delivery to 21.5/16d. for both deliveries; the advance was due to bear covering and speculative buying. After remaining unchanged on September 8th, buying interest slackened and with offerings on American account and some speculative reselling, prices fell back until 20.7/8d. was reached yesterday. To-day, however, some general enquiry found the market bare of supplies and as a result, prices rose sharply to 21.9/16d. for cash and 21 1/2d. for two months delivery; these rates were the highest for cash since November 11th, 1936 and for forward since April 6th, 1937.

During the week there has been a demand from the Indian Bazaars for prompt delivery which, however, has been met by silver made available from the Bombay Mint

LONDON SEEDS

London, Oct. 17.

Rozario Santa Fe Oct/Nov. 20/6; Barletta Russo +; South Australian Oct/Nov. 21/3.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Following a rise of 8 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 201 but the market opened firm at Rs. 202/12 for Broach A/M. delivery but under increased selling prices declined to Rs. 200/8 and later rallied to Rs. 201/8. It appears that the general feeling continues bullish

The market was not influenced by the official forecast of area under cotton cultivation. There was scattered selling and Broach A/M. declined to Rs. 200/8. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F.G.M.G. Broach A/May	Rs.	199	4 0
Fine M. G. Oomra D/Jan.		188	12 0
Fine M. G. Oomra March		188	0 0
F.G.M.G. Bengal D/Jan.		148	12 0

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Oct. 17.

Sakels: November 13.28; March 13.67.
Ashmouni: October 10.45; June 11.00.
Giza: November 12.17; March 12.69.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Oct. 17.

Giza 2: Spot 7.65; October 7.05; Nov. 7.10; Jan. 7.21; March 7.30; May 7.37; July 7.41.

Uppers: Spot 7.17; October 6.64; Nov. 6.64; Jan. 6.46; March 6.45; May 6.44; July 6.43.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Oct. 17.

Broach A/M highest 202; lowest 199; closing 199.

Oomra D/J highest 188 1/2; lowest 185 1/2; closing 185 1/2

Oomra March highest 188; lowest 184 3/4; closing 184 3/4

Bengal D/J highest 150 1/2; lowest 148; closing 148.

Night session: Broach A/M opened Rs. 199 1/2; highest Rs. 200 1/2; lowest Rs. 198 1/2; closed Rs. 200 1/2.

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales	1939-40	1938-39
Receipts to date 17-10-39	2364000	1817000
Receipts Yesterday 17-10-39	48000	30000
Exports to date 17-10-39	1289000	911000
Stock at Ports 13-10-39	2815000	3080000
Stock at Interior Towns 13-10-39	3260000	3106000
Stock at Liverpool 13-10-39	—	1143000
Visible Supply 13-10-39	—	7502000
Quantity in sight 13-10-39	4226000	3803000
Quantity out of sight 13-10-39	—	1936000

Ready Cotton Quotations

	Bombay, Oct. 18.	Nov.	Dec.
Bengal Fine	148/50	+ 4	+ 3
Bengal F.G.	146/48		
C. P. 1	199/201	+17	+14
C. P. 2	197/97	+13	+10
Berar	194/97	+11	+ 5
Khandesh	190/93		
Jalna/Sailu	190/93		
Khandwa	194/97		
Broach	208/10		
Sindh N.T. (New crop)	242/44		

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Oct. 18.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales

		Yester-day	This year.	Last year.
Khandesh			2,607	255
Central India	37		5,312	15,846
Barsi and Nagar			10,839	1,808
Hyderabad-Gaorani				202
Berar			8,175	2,933
Central Provinces			1,154	4,254
Total Oomras	37		28,087	25,298
Dholera	120		3,026	13,022
N.-W. Provinces	57		11,100	2
Rajputana			4,792	818
Sind-Punjab	1,136		34,021	11,467
Broach			53	6,043
Coompta and Dharwar	207		9,592	4,121
Westerns-Northerns			7,159	3,734
Tinnevelly and Cambodia				1,037
American			...	4
Egyptian, African and Sudan			48,886	63,553
Comilla, Burma and other sorts			200	...
Total	1,557		147,044	129,099
Arrived by road to 12th Oct. 39	...		10,000	...

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 12th Oct.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yester-day	This year.	Last year.
Europe		7,073	14,724
Japan and China	2,837	92,548	112,872
Coast Ports		4,805	5,319
Up-country by Rail		33,028	36,128
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		16,710	2,800
Total	2,837	154,164	174,843

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Oct. 17.

(Through the Seeds Traders' Association, Ltd.).

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	Rs.	40	4 0
Highest		40	8 0
Lowest		40	4 0
Closing		40	4 0
Groundnuts Feb.—			
Opening		36	10 0
Highest		37	0 6
Lowest		36	10 0
Closing		36	12 3
Cottonseeds Jan.—			
Opening		24	14 0
Highest		25	4 0
Lowest		24	14 0
Closing		25	1 0

LONDON RUBBER

London, Oct. 17.

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. sellers 10 1/4.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Oct. 18.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 85/4
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes (Cash) 84/8 nominal.
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 86
3 per cent 1941 Bonds 89/4
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 82
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 93/6
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 100/4
4 per cent 1960/70 95/10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 100/4
5 per cent 1940-43 Loan 101/12

TAXFREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 107/2
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore Loan 103/0
5 per cent 1955 Mysore Loan 110

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 93
4 per cent M Deb 1974 93
5 per cent M Deb 1959 101
5 per cent M Deb 1954 114
5 per cent K P T 1956 114
3 1/2 per cent. G. P. Notes on higher sterling advices improved to-day to 84/14, but declined to 84/8 towards the close in profit-taking.

MONEY MARKETS

Bombay, Oct. 18.

B C RATES—
T T D D 1/5 15/16
LONDON—
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 One month
Bank's selling T T D D 1/6 Two months
Bank's buying T T 1/6 1/32 One month
Bank's buying D D 1/6 1/8
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 11/32 One month
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 13/32 Two months
NEW YORK—
Bank's selling T T 334
Bank's buying T T 327
Bank's buying D D 326
PARIS—
Bank's selling T T 1 290
Bank's buying T T 1 345
JAPAN—
Bank's selling T T 78 3/4
Bank's buying T T 77 1/2
Bank's buying 60 days 76 3/4
AMSTERDAM—
Bank's selling D D 55
JAVA—
Bank's selling D D 54 1/4
HONGKONG—
Bank's selling D D 84 1/2
SHANGHAI—
Bank's selling D D 28 3/8
SINGAPORE—
Bank's selling D D 157 3/4
BERLIN—
Bank's selling D D —
CROSS RATE—
Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 18th inst.
Shanghai/London 0/5 18th inst.
Japan/London 1/2 1/32 18th inst.
Java/London 7.40/47 18th inst.
New York/London 4.00 17th inst.
London/New York 4.02/4 17th inst.
London/Paris 176/7 17th inst.
London/Italy 78.50 17th inst.
London/Belgium 23.86/24.06 17th inst.
London/Switzerland 17.78/93 17th inst.
London/Stockholm 16.75/95 17th inst.
London/Amsterdam 7.50/57 17th inst.
London/Berlin — 17th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady, Dull.
Gold £8-8-0 16th inst.
Gold £8-8-0 17th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 1/4 16th inst.
Silver London Ready 23 1/16 17th inst.
Silver London Forward 22 7/8 16th inst.
Silver London Forward 22 7/16 17th inst.
Silver New York Ready 37 16th inst.
Silver New York Ready 36 17th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 2 1/16 per cent 16th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 2 per cent 17th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 2 3/4 per cent 16th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 2 3/4 per cent 17th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 3 per cent.
Money:—Call 1/2 per cent.
3 months 2 per cent.
6 months 2 per cent.
Tone:—Steady.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Oct. 18.

London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. London Paris Exchange rate was 176 to 177. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 to 4.04 at London and 3.99 3/8 at New York.

London silver prices declined 3/16d. at 23 1/16d. for spot and forward was 7/16d. down at 27 1/16d. There was little speculative selling and support was poor. Later the market was dull, with small offerings at fixed rates. Buyers were holding off. New York spot silver prices were reduced by one cent to 36c. per ounce. Shanghai T. T. on London was quoted at 4d. London Bombay spot silver parity was Rs. 61-5-3 and forward was Rs. 59-14-9. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 26-12-6. The local market opened steady with silver quoted at Rs. 60/8 but later prices declined to Rs. 60/2. Gold was also quiet. Quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER.
Ready	41 7 0	59 15 0
Aso	41 7 6	60 2 0

LONDON SILVER

London, Oct. 17.

Spot 23 1/16; Forward 22 7/16.

LONDON GOLD

London, Oct. 17.

Gold bars fine per oz £8/8/0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Fine White Java Sugar:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Ready (Large Grain) per cwt.	17	6	0
Ready (Large Grain) per cwt.	17	8	0
Shipment Sept. per cwt F.B.H.	8	2	0
Shipment Oct. per cwt. F.B.H.	8	6	0
Shipment Nov. per cwt. F.B.H.	8	8	0
Shipment Dec. per cwt F.B.H.	8	11	0

Tone:—Steady.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Oct. 17.

T. T. London on:—

New York 4.02/4.04; Paris 176/177; Berlin unquoted; Madrid 39.75; Montreal 4.43/4.47; Amsterdam 7.50/7.57; Brussels 23.86/24.06; Milan 78.50; Berne 17.78/17.93; Copenhagen 20.75; Stockholm 16.70/16.90; Oslo 17.50/17.70.

Scattered Selling In Steel Shares

MARKET QUIET DESPITE FIRM WALL-STREET

General Feeling Hesitant

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Despite a rise of 3 1/2 dollars in U.S. Steel shares the local Share Bazar was quiet to-day with scattered selling influenced by the Viceroy's statement which was construed disappointing. Most of the operators were inclined to await its effect among Congress circles and there was utter absence of any important buying. There was restricted turnover and the market was barely steady.

Tata Steel shares were quoted ex-dividend to-day, and Dfds opened at Rs. X.D. 1740 against last closing at Rs. 1837. The dividend being Rs. 93 it was generally believed that low level will induce some buying but there being no fallow up on the constructive side prices gradually declined to Rs. 1712 and towards the close there was a partial rally to Rs. 1730 on scattered covering. The rise in America was completely ignored and the market feeling was hesitant.

The market was moderately active in Steel shares while other sections found little business and price changes were narrow. Cotton Mill shares were quietly steady.

While the prospects of peace are dimmed as the hostilities become intensified, occasional profit-taking developed on the Wall Street market on Tuesday, apparently based on the long-drawn out debate in the Neutrality act as well as divergent views with regard to potential foreign demand for American goods. Nevertheless, the Stock market staged a strong comeback with final gains up to five dollars with Steels, aircrafts, chemicals and coppers very prominent while profit-taking was easily absorbed. U.S. Steel shares advanced 3 1/2 at 78 3/4. General motors gained one dollar at 547/8 and Anaconda coppers advanced 1 7/8 at 34 3/4 dollars.

It is interesting to note that when the war broke out Steel activity was 75 per cent and U.S. Steel shares were quoted at 82 while to-day with 90 per cent activity they are placed at 78. This irregularity clearly points out that there is something wrong in the situation and sooner or later we look for readjustment.

Tata Steel Dfds closed at Rs. X.D. 1732/8 and Ordinary shares at Rs. 347/8 X.D. Bombay Dyeing shares were quietly steady and closed at Rs. 892/8; Associated Cements again eased off to Rs. 134/4; Bombay Burmas were steady at Rs. 522/8.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Bombay Dyeing (895) 892 886 890 892
Century (267/8) 266 265 267
Centrai India (276/8) 276 272 275 276
Kohinoor (308/8) 308 304/8 306 305/8
New Great (268) 268 264 266
Simplex (95/3) 95 94 95
Swadeshi (265) 263 260 263 265
Associated Cement (135) 135 134/8 135/8 134/4
Andhra (1385) 1385
Tram Ord. (122) 122/4
Tata Hydro (144/8) 144/8
Tata Power (1227/8) 1227 1225
T. Steel Dfd. (1837/8)XD. 1740 1735 1737 1717 1732 1730 1732/8
T. Steel Ord. (367/8) XD. 349 348 349 346 348 347/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (156/8) XD. 136/8 135/12 136
Bellapur (208) 208 206 207 208
B. Steam (284) 283 284
B. Burma (522/8) 523 520 522 523

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, Oct. 18.

100	AHMED. ADVANCE	285	0
250	BOM. DYEING	892	8
100	CENTURY	267	0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	276	0
100	COLABA	136	8
100	Coorla	112	8
250	David	40	0
250	Dawn	325	0
1	E. D. Sassoon Def.	0	6 6
100	Finlay	109	8
100	GOKAK	173	8
1000	Hindustan	1,795	0
100	Indore	36	0
100	Khatau	110	0
100	KOHINOOR	305	0
250	Laxmi	466	4
250	Madras United	25	0
100	MORARJI	130	0
250	Model	52	0
50	MYSORE	97	8
200	NEW GREAT	266	0
100	Oosmanshahi	43	12
100	PHOENIX	272	8
25	SASSOON SILK	78	8
1000	Sholapur	3010	0
50	SIMPLEX	95	0
100	SWADESHI	265	0
100	SWAN	103	8
500	Vishnu	1,180	0
1000	Western	935	0

BANKS

50-100	Baroda	95	0
25-50	Central	30	2
500	Imperial	1362	8
125-500	Imp. Conty.	334	6
50-100	India	127	8
100	Reserve Bank	102	0
5	Union	5	8

CEMENTS

-00	ASSOCIATED	134	0

INSURANCE

100	Empire	562	8
15-100	Jupiter	10	2
20	Mercantile	49	0
15-75	New India	33	4
200	Oriental	3635	0
15-50u	Vican	6	12

ELECTRIC

100	Ahmd. Old	137	8
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1385	0
10	Ajmer	10	1
50	BOMBAY TRAM	122	4
100	Bombay Suburban	165	0
10	Broach	10	4
100	Karachi	191	4
100	Poona	183	8
100	Surat	152	8
100	TATA HYDRO	144	8
100	TATA POWERS	1225	0

RAILWAYS

500	Ahmedabad Prantij	937	8
100	C. Province	91	0
100	Dh. Baramati	91	0
100	Gujarat	93	0
100	Mandra Bhon	90	0
100	Pachora Jamner	83	12
100	Sara Serajganj	91	0
500	Tapti Valley	740	0

MININGS

9	Burma Corp.	6	3
2sh.	Indian Copper	2	6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	32	12
10	SHIVRAJPUR	44	12
30	TATA STEEL FEFD	XD.1732	8
75	TATA STEEL ORD	XD.347	8

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	533	12
10	Air Services	6	0
58	BELAPUR SUGAR	208	8
200	Bombay Safe Dep.	602	8
250	BOMBAY STEAM	284	0
125	B. BURMA	523	12
50	B. BURMA CONTY.	170	10
2sh.	Br. B. Petrol	5	1 3
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE XD	80	0
100	IND. BLEACHING	105	0
100	Western India Match	112	8
50	Ind. Invest Trust	42	12

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON THREE POINTS DOWN

Better Display On Stock Exchange With Gilts In Good Request

SPECULATIVE SELLING IN SILVER: RUBBER LOOKS UP

Small Recession In Local Markets

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

DECEMBER 1939.

New York, Oct 18	
Previous closing	8.97
To-day's opening	8.99
Difference	+02
To-day's closing	8.94
Difference	—03

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JANUARY 1940.

Liverpool, Oct 18	
Previous closing	5.65
To-day's opening	5.67
Difference	+02
To-day's closing	5.67
Difference	+02

Broach A/M Expectation ..... Rs. 198

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Oct 18

The New York cotton was moderately active in absence of any fresh developments while the dullness of Liverpool further restricted the enterprise.

The trading in December began at 8.99 i.e. two points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on scattered trade and local buying but thereafter the demand slowed down with operators showing little disposition to extend commitments.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, Oct 18

Locally, Broach April/May opened at Rs. 198-4. The price improved to Rs. 199 and then receded again to Rs. 197-8. The final closing was Rs. 198-4.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Oct 18

Following were the opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange:

October (9.22/9.22) 9.00/8.99
December (8.89/8.89) 8.82/8.82
March (8.69/8.69) 8.51/8.50

Liverpool Cotton

Liverpool, Oct 18

American January (5.65) 5.69
American March (5.64) 5.68
Giza November (7.15) 7.12
Giza January (7.26) 7.24

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, Oct 18

METALS

Tin (£230 quiet) £230 quoted: quiet.

RUBBER

Spot (10 1/4 paid and sellers) 10 3/8 paid and buyers

Forward January March (10 3/8 paid and value) 10 9/16 paid and value

JUTE

Dundee (£34 1/2) £34 1/2
Lightning October (£31 3/4) £31 3/4

BULLION

Influx (nil) nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0
Silver 22 15/16d.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

Madras, Oct 18

On better sterling advices 3 1/2 per cent Paper touched Rs. 85 but towards the close on profit-taking receded to Rs. 84 1/2. Banks and Textiles were steady, whilst a fair enquiry was evinced in sugars and plantings.

Exchange transactions: G. P. Notes Rs. 72/6 small lot 72/8 72/14; 3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 G I loan Rs. 93/11; 4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 G I loan Rs. 102/7; 5 per cent 1945/55 G I loan Rs. 107/7 107/14 small odd lot; 4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore Rs. 104; Indian Bank Ltd Rs. 100/8; Central Bank Rs. 30; Buckingham and Carnatic Pref Rs. 156/6; British India Corporation ordy Rs. 3/13/6 3/14; Rajagiri Rubbers Rs. 3/4; Chembra Peaks Rs. 2/7/6 2/8; Peermade Rs. 23/4, 23/8; Coorg Rubbers Rs. 21/4 small odd lot; Cochin Malabars Rs. 5/14; Cash 6 6/2 Nov; Tropical Plantations Rs. 13/4; Manalur Rubbers Rs. 2/7; Mysore Sugars Rs. 8/5; West Coast Elec Supply Corpn Rs. 6/14 XD; Mysore Paper Rs. 10; Mysore Tobacco Rs. 9/2 small odd lot; Oooregum Gold Mining sh 10/3; Amruthanjan Pref Rs. 78/4; Associated Cements Rs. 136/8 137/8 137/12 Nov; Indian Irons Rs. 33/1 33/2 Tata Defd Rs. 1832/8 1835 1841/4 1837/8 1860 Nov; Tata ordy Rs. 365 367 370 Nov; B B Petrols Rs. 5/2/6 5/3 Indian Coppers Rs. 7/7; Steel Corporation Rs. 17/6; Burma Corporation Rs. 6/2.

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Oct 18	
Previous closing	3.99 3/8
To-day's opening	3.99 3/8
At the time of New York cotton closing	not received

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Oct 18	
Previous closing	4.02 to 4.04
To-day's opening	4.02 to 4.04
To-day's closing	4.02 to 4.04

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, Oct 18	
Previous closing	178 to 177
To-day's opening	178 to 177
To-day's closing	178 to 17.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Oct 18

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02 to 4.04 which is officially fixed rate.

Franc was officially fixed at 176 to 177.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6) 1-6
Paris on Bombay (13.23 3/4) 13.23 3/4
New York on Bombay (30.40) 30.40
London on Milan (70.50) 70.50
London on Shanghai (0-4 5/8) 0-4 5/8
London on Kobe (1-2 buyers 1-2 1/32 sellers) 1-2 buyers 1-2 1/32 sellers.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (2 to 2 1/16 per cent) 2 per cent
4 months (2 1/8 to 2 3/16 per cent) 2 1/16 to 2 1/8 per cent
6 months (2 3/4 per cent) 2 5/8 to 2 3/4 per cent

LONDON SILVER CABLE

London, Oct 18

The following cable regarding London silver market was received in Bombay.

"Little speculative selling. Small bear covering. Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, Oct 18	
Spot	(23 1/16d) 22 15/16d—1/8
Forward	(22 7/16d) 22 3/16d—1/4

LONDON GOLD

London, Oct 18	
Gold Bars Fine per ounce	(£8-8-0) £8-8-0

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Night Quotations

Bombay, Oct 18

SILVER

Silver ready	58	7	9
Silver Asho	59	9	6
Silver Kartak	58	12	6

GOLD

Gold ready	41	6	9
Gold Asho	41	7	3
Gold Kartak	41	7	9
Sovereign			

WHEAT AND SEEDS

Latest Night Quotations

Bombay, Oct 18

Wheat January	3	12	6
Wheat May	3	15	9
Linseed May	6	4	9
Groundnuts February	36	6	0
Castorseeds May	39	12	0
Cottonseeds January	24	11	6

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

Karachi, Oct 18

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cotton Sind January	18	8	9
Punjab January	5	10	3
Desi American January	21	12	6
Tone: Quiet.			
Wheat November	25	12	9
January	26	12	9
July	27	14	9
Tone: Quiet.			
Gram November	33	6	9
January	34	2	6
July	30	9	6
Toria November	43	0	0
February	40	12	0
Cottonseed January	20	12	0

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s. October 115; December 115; February 116.

Yarn No. 10 1/2s. October 124; December 129; February 132.

Yarn No. 20 1/2s. October 158; December 162; February 166.

Yarn No. 40s. October 235; December 235; February 235.

3½% STERLING LOAN

London, Oct 18

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £80 1/4.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Oct 18

INDIAN LOANS

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£82) £82
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£79 1/2) £80 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£104) £101 3/4 Ex Div
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£105) £105
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-63 (£100) £100
5 per cent 1942-47 (£103 1/2) £103 7/8
4 per cent (£94) £94

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1940-50 (£96 1/2) £97 1/2

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£66) £66 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£89 3/4) £90 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 3/8) £102 1/4
5 per cent Funding Loan (£101 5/8) £101 5/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£90 3/4) £91 1/2
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£102 1/8) £102 3/8

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (12-0) 12-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (50-7 1/2) 51-3
Hydro Electric (del 2 3/4) del 2 3/4
Elec Music Industry (7-9) 7-9
Princhin Johnson (21-3) 21-6
Imperial Chemical (29-3) 29-6
Woolsworth New Ordinary (57-6) 58-6
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£16 1/2) £16 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (28-6) 27-9
Unilever Ordinary (29-4 1/2) 29-6
Ford Motors (14-7 1/2) 14-7 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£49 1/4) £49 1/4
British American Tobacco Ordinary (86-3) 86-3
Carreas 'A' (£6 1/8) £6
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (116-3) 115-0
P and O Def (20-6) 20-5
Distillers (90-6) 91-3
Bredfords Dye (4-7 1/2) 4-7 1/2
British Celanese (5-6) 5-9
J and P Coates Ordinary (27-6) 28-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (28-9) 29-0
Fine Cottons Spinners (4-10 1/2) 4-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (17-6) 17-3
Inter Nickels (del 48) del 48 1/2
Indian Iron (45) 44-4 1/2

TEA SHARES

Assam (15-0) 15-0
Donare Tea (26-10 1/2) 26-10 1/2
Empire of India (21-3) 21-0

JUTES

Barnagore (£12 1/2) £12 1/2

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-9) 25-6
Gula Kelampong (16-0) 16-3
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (28-3) 28-9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (26-3) 27-6
Burma Corporation (8-0) 8-0
Rio Tintos (£10 3/4) £10 3/4
East Rand Proprietors (45-0) 45-0
Rand Mines (£6 1/8) £6 1/4

MINE SHARES

Crown (£12 1/2) £12 5/8
Associated Portland Cement (67-6) 67-5
Trinidad Leaseholds (100-0) 101-3
Sub Nigel (£9 1/4) £9 1/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (23-9) 23-6
Union Corporation (£6 1/9) £6 1/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-0) 26-7 1/2
Anglo Persian (63-6) 63-6
Burma Oil (64-4 1/2) 65-0
Mexican Eagle (5-3) 5-7 1/2
Shell Transport (96-3 96-10 1/2
Royal Dutch (£35 3/4) £36 1/8

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£27 1/4) £27 1/2
London Midland Ordinary (£10 1/8) £10 1/2
London North Eastern Def. (£2 1/4) £2 3/8
London Southern Def. (£9 1/2) £9 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent (£107) £107
London Transport 'C' (£85) £85

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Oct 18

The following are the opening quotations:—

General Motors (del 53 7/8) del 55
Anaconda Copper Mining (del 32 7/8) del 34 7/8
U S Steel Common New Stock (del 78 1/2) del 79 1/8
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) unquoted.

HAPUR MARKET

Hapur, Oct. 18.

Wheat ready Rs. 3/10/6; Mangsir Rs. 3/10/9; Jeth Rs. 3/2/6

Gram ready 3/7/9; Mangsir Rs. 3/7/6; Jeth Rs. 3/3/9.

Barley ready Rs. 2/10/6; Mangsir Rs. 2/10/3.

Peas ready Rs. 3/6; Mangsir Rs. 3/6/7.

Arhar ready Rs. 2/15/6; Mangsir Rs. 2/15/8.

Cottonseed ready Rs. 2/8.

Maize ready Rs. 2/9.

Tone:—Firm on foreign cables of unfavourable political situation.

INDIAN COTTON ACREAGE

The official cotton forecast points 18,269,000 acres under cotton cultivation which is a decrease of 15 per cent.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 13th day of October, 1939.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES.—

	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	14,72,18,000
Notes in circulation:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	199,36,02,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	10,43,23,000
Total Notes issued	224,51,43,000
Total Liabilities	224,51,43,000

ASSETS.—

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	41,54,48,000
(b) Held outside India	2,86,98,000
Sterling Securities	69,50,11,000
Total of A.	113,91,57,000
B. Rupee Coin	73,24,11,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	37,35,75,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial paper	..
Total Assets	224,51,43,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 50.739 per cent.

Statement of the Affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 13th October 1939.

LIABILITIES.—

	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Govt. of India	7,58,80,000
(2) Government of Burma	1,40,63,000
(3) Other Government Accounts	3,98,28,000
(b) Banks	17,56,19,000
(c) Others	95,95,000
Bills Payable	8,16,000
Other Liabilities	1,83,95,000
Rupees	43,41,96,000

ASSETS.—

Notes:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	14,61,96,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	10,22,000
Rupee Coin	8,11,000
Subsidiary Coin	4,39,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	..
(b) External	..
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,06,47,000
Balances held abroad *	15,00,79,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	2,55,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	5,80,000
Investments	6,25,29,000
Other Assets	3,65,93,000
Rupees	43,41,96,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

PEPPER AND GINGER MARKET

Bombay, Oct. 18.

(The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association Ltd.)

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	Rs.	80	0 0
Pepper ready Calicut per candy		89	0 0
Pepper Asho Sud 15th per candy		89	0 0
Pepper Maha Sud 15th per candy		95	0 0
Pepper ready Lampong in C.I.F. per cwt.		13	12 0
Ginger ready unbleached per cwt.		15	8 0
Ginger ready bleached per cwt.		17	8 0
Ginger Maha Sud 15th per cwt.		20	0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Oct. 18.

	Sup	Fine	F.G.	Good
M.G.	Bengal	U.P.	157	154 151 148

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Oct. 18.

Yellow Metal Sheet ..... Rs. 51 0 0
Copper Sheets ..... Rs. 70 0 0
Tone: Firm.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

Bombay, Oct 18

O S Kaisha's Japanese ss Brisbane Maru of 3221 reg tons, Captain N Imoto arrived from Karachi with cotton and general cargo.

IMPORTS

14432 bags sugar; 6480 bags dry dates; 6968 bags wet dates; 146 bags pomegranates; 96 cases fruits (fresh); 289 bales cotton raw; 20 cases glue; 80 bags raisin; 1951 bags gum; 225 bags almonds; 28 bags fish.

EXPORTS

1830 bags myrabollams H Bhagwandas and Co; 640 bags myrabollams J Moolchand and Co; 3126 pieces asbestos cement sheets Asbestos Cement Ltd; 2100 bales cotton raw G K Kaisha Ltd; 442 bales cotton raw Konishi and Co; 3000 bales cotton raw Japan Cotton Trading Co Ltd; 400 bales cotton raw V Ladha and Co; 100 bales cotton raw H Nensey and Co; 100 bales cotton raw Habib and Sons; 100 bales cotton raw K M Nathoo; 100 bales cotton raw K Vishram and Sons; 200 bales cotton raw N Manilal and Co; 100 bales cotton raw R Kanji and Co; 100 bales cotton raw Swastika General Trading Co; 100 bales cotton raw Podar Trading Co Ltd; 1 bale cotton raw Ralli Bros; 3800 bales cotton raw T M Kaisha Ltd, 600 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros; 300 bales cotton raw Kotak and Co; 275 bales cotton raw M Amersey and Co; 100 bales cotton raw K Poonja and Co; 100 bales cotton raw Pehlavi Cotton Co; 50 bales cotton raw N Fatehally and Co; 550 bales cotton raw K Devchand and Co; 100 bales cotton raw Sassoon J David and Co; 142 bales cotton raw A Khimji and Co; 100 bales cotton raw S R Tulshan and Co; 741 bales cotton raw Ramnarain and Sons Ltd; 100 bales cotton raw P Hirachand and Co; 100 bales cotton raw M S Kaisha Ltd; 100 bales cotton raw Suleman and Co.

Turkey's Decision & Br. Optimism

Prospects Of Peace In Balkans & Southern Europe Will Be Strengthened

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The Turkish Prime Minister's clear comprehensive statement is received with satisfaction in London, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns.

It is clear from the statement, that the Soviet endeavoured to persuade M. Sarajoglu to close the Straits, although by the Treaty of Montreux, Turkey undertook to allow the passage of naval tonnage equal to the strength of the Russian fleet into the Black Sea.

The opinion is held, that Turkey has set a striking example in her determination to uphold what is one of the Allies' chief war aims, namely, respect for undertakings.

It is considered, that Turkey's decision will greatly help and strengthen the prospects of peace in the Balkans and Southern Europe.—Reuter.

No Further Meeting Of Sarajoglu & Gafencu

LONDON Oct. 18

No meeting will now take place between M. Sarajoglu and M. Gafencu according to the Rome Radio.—Reuter.

PAPEN 'EN ROUTE' TO BERLIN

ISTANBUL, October 18

Herr Von Papen, who left Ankara unexpectedly last night arrived here, it is stated, 'en route' to Berlin, where he has been summoned by the German Government.—Reuter.

French Appreciation Of Turkish Attitude

PARIS, October 18

The fact that Turko-Soviet relations remain cordial despite the suspension of negotiations is welcomed in Paris.

The loyalty with which the Turks kept in the foreground their undertaking to France and Britain are deeply appreciated here and, it is believed, these undertakings will shortly be confirmed by signature of the Tripartite Agreement.—Reuter.

British View Of Turko-Soviet Deadlock

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The Foreign Office to-night issued the following statement: "Although London official circles are not yet fully informed of the circumstances, which brought the Russo-Turkish negotiations to an apparent "impasse", it is evident from the statement of M. Saydam, Turkish Premier, that proposals were made, which were regarded by the Turkish Government as inacceptable.

It may be noted, however, that the statement of M. Saydam and the official communique of the U. S. S. R. both referred to the continuance of friendly relations between the two countries."

The statement adds that the interpretation of the situation current in London this morning must not necessarily be accepted as being accurate in all details.—Reuter.

KULANGSU DISPUTE SETTLED

TOKYO, Oct. 18.

A six point agreement ends the dispute regarding Kulangsu. It provides for the appointment by the municipal council of a Japanese police inspector and a sergeant. Traffic between Kulangsu and the mainland has been resumed.

All Japanese and other foreign marines have been withdrawn. The point of agreement provides that Japanese authorities will cooperate with the municipal council in controlling actions or movements calculated to disturb peace and order in the International Settlement.—Reuter.

New Italian Ambassador In London

LONDON, October 18

M. Bastianini, the Italian Ambassador, presented his credentials to the King at Buckingham Palace.

He is the first new Ambassador to the Court of St. James since the war started.

Signor. Bastianini took with him to London no plan or memorandum from the Duce regarding current events, according to an official Italian news agency, which states, that the interview between Sgr. Bastianini and Lord Halifax in London yesterday was for the purpose of establishing normal contact between the new Italian Ambassador in London and the British Foreign Secretary.—Reuter

BLOW TO INDIAN ASPIRATIONS

Satisfactory To None, Says "Daily Herald" Correspondent

ALL HOPE OF A COURAGEOUS NEW STEP TOWARDS FULL INDIAN SELF-GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN DASHED BY THE VICEROY'S DECLARATION OF POLICY, WRITES MR. W. N. EWER IN THE "DAILY HERALD."

THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP PROPOSAL IS ONE WHICH SEEMS LIKELY TO SATISFY NEITHER WING OF THE CONGRESS NOR THE LIBERALS NOR THE MUSLIMS NOR OTHER POLITICAL PARTIES, NOR INDEED ANYBODY.

BRITISH PRESS ON VICEROY'S STATEMENT

LONDON, October 18.

Commenting upon the White Paper, the "Times" in an editorial declares that Lord Linlithgow has now met the demands of the Congress Party, which were couched in somewhat vague and abstract terms with the constructive proposals laid before Parliament yesterday.

In its original resolution, the Congress Working Committee seemed to assume as some British publicists and politicians have done, with no more warrant, that the purposes of the British Government and Allies include some sort of forcible extension of the frontiers of democracy.

No responsible British statesman has committed himself to that. The Allied Governments are not at war to impose a system of Government upon enemies or neutrals. They are fighting to save themselves and other nations of the old world, and ultimately of the new, from the constant fear and danger of aggression.

At this early stage of the conflict, it is manifestly impossible for the British Government and the Allies whose existence is strangely ignored by the Working Committee to define their aims with complete precision. Enough that they are fighting to resist a studied policy of aggression, and that the great body of Indian opinion sympathises with their resistance and is prepared to give them unconditional support.

CONGRESS CLAIM QUESTIONED

It remains to be seen how far the statement will satisfy the Congress Party. The leaders of that party, including Mr. Gandhi, have advanced its claim to be an all-inclusive body representing all communities and parties in British India and the Indian States. The resolution of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League makes it abundantly clear that this claim is indignantly opposed by that powerful minority. Apart from the Muslims, another important group of minorities has entered a caveat against any official acceptance of Gandhiji's thesis. Representatives of Indian Liberals, the Hindu Mahasabha, the Democratic Swarajists and the Depressed Classes have all telegraphed to the Governor-General protesting against it, and their protest contains vigorous and skilful criticism of Gandhiji's claims.

To fight for democracy abroad and to insist that the Congress Party shall alone represent India is they say a contradiction in terms. In these circumstances, it is clear that nothing whatever could have been gained by accepting the Congress Party's almost totalitarian claim or by yielding to its demands that India should here and now be declared an independent nation.

RALLYING THE MINORITIES

The Government have wisely taken the views of other elements into account. They have made it plain that it is not their intention to sacrifice the interests of the numerous Indian minorities and to endanger Indian unity by deferring solely to the views of one party: and their attitude appears to be fully justified by the fact that most Congress leaders were originally in favour of giving unconditional support to the Government during the war, and only modified their attitude under pressure from Mr. Bose and the Left Wing. Broadly speaking, the great majority of the Congress party are with Britain in the fight against aggression; here indeed and here alone there is an united India.

WARNING TO CONGRESS

The "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial says that the White Paper goes a long way to repair the sins of omission committed by the Government since the outbreak of war. It is clear, conciliatory and constructive. But it must be said at once, that its value in meeting the legitimate aspirations of Indian opinion will entirely depend upon the degree to which the assurances given will be carried out and the manner in which the machinery proposed will be worked. Let us admit that the decisions contained in the statement were arrived at by a method that is a great advance, on the attitude of stern detachment so often assumed by the Government of India in the past.

Lord Linlithgow has personally consulted all leading spokesmen on the Indian political scene. That it should have needed a war to bring the Chief Representative of Britain in India in close touch with many of these men may be deplored, but at any rate the ice is now broken.

The consultative group proposal undoubtedly falls short of the desires of many Indians especially of the Congress.

The new advisory body will function side by side with the Viceroy's Executive Council, and appears to be vested with restricted powers, but if it should contain on its board really representative leaders of popular opinion as it ought to do. It may in practice turn out to carry very great indeed. That will depend on the manner in which in practice the group is consulted and on the Viceroy's willingness to accept its advice on important matters.

Let all parties remember the practical working during the recent past of the Provincial Governments. While the Government must beware of frustrating the work of the new Council if it should prove capable of exerting larger powers, the Congress would be wise not to refuse the instalment now offered, lest by insisting on larger demands, it lose what is precious beyond constitutional forms—namely, national unity of India.

'CONCILIATORY SPIRIT'

"The White Paper is a highly important document" says the "News Chronicle." It is evident that the points put forward by Congress leaders and other Indian spokesmen in conversation with the Viceroy have been sympathetically considered, and hope is held out that more complete satisfaction of India's aspirations will be achieved at the end of the war. It is satisfactory that the Government's statement has been framed in a conciliatory spirit.

PRINCIPLES OF NEUTRALITY

Roosevelt's Message To Scandinavian Conference

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18

President Roosevelt and the Governments of twenty other American Republics have sent messages to King Gustav of Sweden on the occasion of the conference of the Rulers of Northern States in Stockholm.

President Roosevelt stated, that United States Government joined the other Governments of American Republics in expressing its support to the principles of Neutrality and Order under Law for which the nations represented in the Stockholm Conference throughout their history have taken a consistent stand.

This joint move is regarded here as one of the first fruits of the recent Panama Conference at which the American Republics pledged themselves to common neutrality.—Reuter.

FINNISH GERMANS ADVISED TO RETURN

HELSINKI, Oct. 18.

The German authorities have advised Germans to wind up their affairs and return to Germany voluntarily before long compelled.

A special bureau has been opened to advise and assist such persons with regard to the settlement of their affairs.—Reuter.

Evacuation Postponed

KAUNAS, Oct. 18.

Repatriation of German minority in Lithuania has been postponed by the German Government who give the reason that they wish to study the experiances gained from evacuations from Estonia and Latvia.

It is pointed out here that the lower social and financial status of the Lithuanian Germans gives fewer opportunities for clearing transactions advantageous to Germany. Moreover many Germans, particularly peasants, oppose the evacuation.—Reuter.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 18.

Pastor Niemoeller has written to the Nazi authorities asking to be allowed to join the German forces according to the newspaper "Standard".—Reuter.

BOMBAY and SUBURBS

Local Engagements

To-day

Hindu: Ashwin Shud 7, 1995
Muslim: Ramzan 5, 1358
Parsi: Ardibehesht 14, 1369
Hightide: 4-14 15-59
Lowtide: 10-30 21-51
Sunrise: 6h 34m
Sunset: 6h 14m
Municipal Corporation, 3-10 p.m. Special meeting, 3-40 p.m.

Friday, October 20.

Municipal Corporation, Special meeting, 4-40 p.m.

NORTH BOMBAY DURGA PUJA
At 47 Haji Manjil, Vincent Road, Dadar, to-day (Thursday) at 7-30 p.m. Theatrical performance of "Bange-Bargi."

AT "HINDUSTAN COMPOUND"
At 12 Sleater Road, next to Grant Road Station, to-day (Thursday) from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saptami Puja; 7 p.m. Arati and Theatrical performance of "Raghubir."

SARASWAT BRAHMAN SAMAJ
Lecture by Mr. G. P. Dandekar, B.E., A.M.I.E., on "Rise and Growth of Bombay" at the Samaj premises, Girgaon, to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 p. m. (S.T.).

FREE KANNADA DAY SCHOOL
Under the auspices of the Akhila Karnataka Seva Samiti, Bombay, a free day-school is run for the use of the Kannada public at 28, Block No. E, Matunga Road, Matunga.

KANDIVLI NAVA-DURGA MAHOTSAVA
Jyotirmal Jagjivan N. Badheka of Bhavnagar will speak on "The Inner meaning of Shakti worship" and "The mysteries of Mathematics" to-day (Thursday) at 10 p.m.

Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"The First World War". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"O. H. M. S." To-day and to-morrow. Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"It's A Wonderful World". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 .pm.
EXCELSIOR—"The Girl from Mexico". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"They Shall Have Music". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Daily Change of Programme" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kapal Kundala". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Pati-Patni". Daily at 3-45, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"The Great Moghul". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Daily Change of Programme". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Sant Tulsidas". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Admi". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Scouts to the Rescue". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"In Search of Happiness". Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"The Only Way". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ALEXANDRA—"Scouts to the Rescue". Daily at 5, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Inside Nazi Germany". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Huckle Berry Finn". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD EXECUTIVE
A meeting of the Managing Committee of the Bombay Students' Brotherhood, will be held to-day (Thursday) at 6-15 p.m. at the Muslim Students' Union Hall, Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty.

GODAVARIBAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY, JAFARABAD
The number of patients treated in the above dispensary during the month of July 1939, were 5,344; during the month of August 1939, were 5,244; during the month of September 1939, were 5,123. The total number of patients treated were 15,711.

KHATAU MAKANJI FREE DISPENSARY
In all 1,925 patients were treated at the Free Dispensary Bhatia Maternity and Nursing Home, Fort, Bombay, during August 1939. The average daily attendance was 64.2.

G. Y. SANGH LADIES GATHERING
(From A Correspondent)
Under the auspices of the Goregaokerwadi Yuvak Sangh, 'Ladies Gathering' was celebrated at the residence of Mr. B. B. Goregaoker, Godavari Nivas at Gamdevi on 15th instant. Mrs. Annapurnabai Deshmukh presided.

PREMIER'S TOUR PROGRAMME
The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, will leave Bombay on October 20 on a visit to Kopargaon, Belapur and Ahmednagar and will return to Bombay on October 23. At Ahmednagar the Prime Minister will have a busy programme including the receiving of an address from the Municipality, visits to institutions and granting interviews to officials and non-officials.

'PARLE GUJARATI MANDAL'S NAVARATRI UTSAV
(From A Correspondent)
The above Mandal celebrated the Navaratri Utsav on the 13th and the 14th instant at Choksi Bhuvan, Nehru Road, Vile Parle. On both the days an attractive programme of songs, garba, ras, dancing and dialogues, was arranged. A large audience consisting of members and their friends attended the celebrations.
On the 13th instant Rao Saheb Kantilal Ishwarlal, J.P. who presided at the function, expressed his admiration for the skill displayed by these children, and made a fervent appeal for help to the Mandal
On the 14th instant, the celebrations were presided over by the Hon. Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, who spoke highly of the Garba and the Ras.

MOTOR DRIVERS' MEETING
Under the auspices of the Bombay Private Motor Drivers' Union, a general meeting of the Motor Drivers will be held to-day (Thursday) at 10 p. m. (S.T.) at Jinnah Hall near Congress House. Sjt. Yusuf Meherally, the president of the Union, will preside. Messrs. M. R. Masani, Asoka Mehta and others will address the meeting.

SOCIETY OF TEXTILE CHEMISTS, BOMBAY (INDIA)
A meeting of the Society will be held to-day (Thursday) at 6-15 p.m. in the Dhuru Hall, Dadar, near B. B. and C. I. Railway Station, when Prof. M. M. Koppikar will speak on "Some fundamentals of even dyeing". C. I. Soneji will preside.
The meeting is open to Textile Mill officials who are hereby cordially invited to take part in the discussion. The members can bring their friends.

METRO
DAILY AT 3:30-6:30-10 P.M.
TELEPHONE 31045

Talk Of The Suburbs

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN)

At Bandra during the last week the G. A. Circus at Turner Road has been drawing crowds of people. This Circus I understand makes its appearance annually at this place, but this year's items are particularly attractive.
The regrettable record this Circus registered yesterday is the death of their oldest and cleverest tiger. This I understand is a great loss to the Circus and also to the general public. The tiger used to perform several clever items with the intelligence that very few animals of its breed do.

POPULARITY OF JUHU.

Juhu season has started in right earnest. Judging by the crowds on Juhu sands daily, this warm season, Juhu will still increase in popularity and that is why Juhu must be looked after in a special way.
The roadways now are fairly good compared to what they were some years ago, but a few repairs must yet be carried out, besides that stretch in pot-holes between the Palm Beach and the Royal Hotel must be looked after.
Like Juhu there are very few places in the world so close to the City where a quite and enjoyable evening could be had, this should be another reason why more attention must be concentrated on this place.

HARIJANS' HUTS

While the Suburbs are getting crowded with houses, most of them lovely cottages, it is really a shameful sight to notice that the poor Harijans, who are responsible for the cleanliness of the place are not given suitable places to live in. The huts near the Bandra Railway Station are disgraceful to look at and living conditions are deplorable. It is time these huts disappeared and in their place chawls are built so that the poor could feel that they have some sort of privacy and besides this cleanliness could also be amongst their very midst.

FROM THE ROOTS OF LIFE

LOVELY——
LEELA CHITNIS
SO PERFECTLY TEAMED WITH THE ADORABLE
ASHOK KUMAR
IN A DRAMA THAT WILL BREAK ON THE SCREEN LIKE A DAWN!

ARE DRAWN THE SAP AND SCENT OF THIS FLOWERY ROMANCE!

KANGAN
BOMBAY TALKIES' BONNIE ENTERTAINMENT,
with
MUBARAK, V. H. DESAI, P. F. PITHAWALA, SAROJ BORKAR.

From OCTOBER 28, at the ROXY

BRITAIN SPURNS INDIA'S FRIENDSHIP

(Continued from Page 1.)

gress asked for bread; it has got a stone. What the future has in store for India I dare not foretell. I do not blame the Viceroy or the leaders of Britain for the unfortunate result.
"THE CONGRESS WILL HAVE TO GO INTO THE WILDERNESS AGAIN BEFORE IT COMES STRONG AND PURE ENOUGH TO REACH ITS OBJECTIVE.
"I have no doubt that Congressmen will await the Working Committee's decision."—United Press.

Jawahar And Azad On Viceroy's Statement

LUCKNOW, Oct. 18.
The following statement has been issued to the Press by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Pt Jawaharlal Nehru:—
"We have read the Viceroy's statement with deep regret. If this is final answer of the British Government to the people of India then there is no common ground between the two, and our paths diverge completely. The whole statement is complete repudiation of all that India stands for nationally and internationally. It is a statement which would have been out of date twenty years ago; to-day it has absolutely no relation to reality.

DRAGOONING OF INDIA.

There is no mention in it of independence, freedom, democracy or self-determination: no attempt even to justify dragooning of India into war without reference to her people and her being forced to join an adventure for objectives, which are not hers. These objectives appear clearly from the Viceroy's statement to be preservation and maintenance of British Imperial and financial structure in India and abroad. The "better international system" to which the British Premier has referred is evidently meant to preserve and strengthen this structure. Apart from this it relates, according to him, to peoples of Europe and not to Asia or Africa. India continues where she is; Colonies remain where they are; Imperialism is still meant to flourish.
"All this seems to follow from the Viceroy's statement and if this is the aim of war it is difficult to imagine that even the British Government living as it does, in an age that is past and done with can expect any self-respecting Indian to co-operate with it.
"THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP THAT THE CONGRESS HAD EXTENDED HAS BEEN SPURNED BY THEIR GOVERNMENT."
How far that Government represents them it is for them to say but we have to consider the Viceroy's statement as England's reply to India.

NEXT STEP

"What our next steps should be, it would be premature and improper for us to say at this stage. That is for the Working Committee to decide and the Committee is meeting for that purpose soon. The hour is a grave one and requires all our united wisdom and courage and discipline and mutual forbearance. Let us bear ourselves with dignity and restraint and hold together in the cause of India's Freedom."

WE MUST CLOSE UP OUR RANKS

Jawahar's Appeal To Congressmen

LUCKNOW, Oct. 18.
Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the U. P. Provincial Congress Committee, has issued the following appeal to the Congressmen of the United Provinces:—
"The crisis that began in Europe spreads and envelopes the world. Its shadow has extended to India and it may affect us intimately and directly. You have no doubt read carefully the Working Committee's statement on the War crisis and the British Government's reply to it as given by the Viceroy. This reply is so utterly opposed to our aims and ideals that it has created a grave situation. We shall, as disciplined soldiers, wait for developments and the direction of the Congress.
Meanwhile, we must all be prepared for all eventualities. In this hour of crisis we must forget all internal controversy within the Congress or outside the Congress. Let us not criticise each other, but bear with each other's minor differences and face all together the onrush of events.—United Press.

"BR. DEMOCRACY EXPOSED"

Bihar's First Reaction

(From Our Correspondent).
PATNA, Oct. 18.
"A challenge to India;" "British Democracy exposed"; "British diehardism unrepentent."
This is Bihar's first reaction to Viceroy's declaration.
From talks in high Congress circles it is gathered that Congress will accept Britain's challenge and once again give a bold lead to India's freedom's battle.

"BRITISH GOVT. SURE TO REPENT"

They Can't Continue Governing India As Of Old, Says Kidwai

LUCKNOW, Oct. 18.
The Hon. Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, Acting Premier of the United Provinces interviewed by the "United Press" said:
"The Viceroy's statement has not disappointed me. It seems difficult for the Government of India or the British Government to move with the times. They are still under the impression that they can continue governing India as of old. India will, with one voice, refuse to listen to the Viceroy's pleadings. Unless they climb down in the near future they will repent."
Mr. Mohanlal Saxena, M.L.A., (Central), and ex-President of the U.P. Congress Committee said that the British Government had again blundered and lost another opportunity for winning India's co-operation.
Mr. C. B. Gupta, M.L.A. (Central) said: "British Imperialism has not changed in spite of the profound changes in the present world revolution and they don't mean to change unless they are forced to do so."—United Press.

BANKRUPTCY OF STATESMANSHIP

C. P. Premier On Viceroy's Statement

NAGPUR, October 18.
The Hon. Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla, Premier of the Central Provinces when interviewed on arrival from Jubbulpore regarding the recent statement of the Viceroy said:—
"The long expected declaration of the Viceroy has after all been made. It shows the bankruptcy of British statesmanship. The manner in which the Viceroy began interviewing all and sundry and the comments which appeared in the British Press had already created a suspicion in our minds. I am almost sure that its language and substance, both, will create a disappointing impression on the mind of the Indian people. It is sure to alienate the sympathies of the people of this country as it gives them nothing of any consequence".—United Press.

"Feeling Of Utter" Amazement

LUCKNOW, Oct. 18.
Mr. Sampurnanand, Minister of Education, U. P. interviewed said: My reaction to the Viceroy's statement was a feeling of utter amazement.—United Press.

Choitram Gidwani

KARACHI, October 18.
Interviewed Dr. Choitram Gidwani said, "It is clear that the British Government is not prepared to apply the same principle of liberty and democracy to India for which they claim to be fighting in the present war. I fear the country must prepare for eventualities".—United Press.

Press Raided Under Defence Ordinance

QUETTA, Oct. 18.
The Police searched to-day under the Defence of India Ordinance, the Aziz Printing Press and the office of the "Istiqlal", newspaper, controlled by Khan Abdul Samad Khan, President of the Anjuman Watan, Baluchistan and seized copies of the newspapers containing the Jamiat-ul-Ulema's anti-War resolution.
An order under section 144 has been served on several members of the Working Committee of the Anjuman-Watan restraining them from holding public meetings.—United Press.

VICEROY'S DECLARATION & INDIA'S DUTY

To-day's Public Meeting At Chowpatty

Under the auspices of the Bombay Congress Socialist Party, a public meeting will be held today (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on the Chowpatty Sands, when speeches will be made on "The Viceroy's declaration and India's duty."
The speakers will be Mr. Achyut Patwardhan, Mr. M. R. Masani, Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally and Mr. Ashok Mehta.

THEN o-o-oh!
"I used to suffer from the most dreadful headaches—I woke up feeling only half alive and I had no energy for my work. I was very worried because I thought I should lose my job as well as my health."

NOW ha-ha-ha
"Now everything is different. I discovered Kruschen Salts just in time. After the first bottle my headaches disappeared completely. Very soon I was feeling much fitter, and now I am always full of energy—I take a real pleasure in my work and leisure."
Headaches are nearly always due to a disordered stomach, and to the unsuspected retention in the system of stagnating waste material which poisons the blood. Remove these poisons—prevent them forming again—and you'll never have to worry any more. And that is just how Kruschen Salts brings swift and lasting relief from headaches.
You can obtain Kruschen Salts from all chemists, stores and bazars.

YOU TOO CAN HAVE THAT KRUSCHEN FEELING!

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INEVITABLE REACTION

As was to be expected the Viceroy's statement has been received with deep disappointment in Congress circles. Even Gandhiji, the best friend of the British in India and the wisest leader of the Congress, condemns it as "profoundly disappointing", and adds that "Congress asked for bread and it has got stone". The Madras Premier, too, deplores the Governor-General's statement, particularly because it throws away a unique opportunity of getting honourable co-operation from the Congress and the country. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad put it more expressively, if bitterly, when they say that "the hand of friendship the Congress extended has been spurned by the British Government". Of course, persons are not wanting who extol to the skies the Viceregal statement, as they would everything said or done by the Powers-that-be But no truthful person can deny that the Viceroy promises nothing new beyond the appointment of a "consultative group" which can meet only when he chooses, which has no executive power and whose advice can be flouted to any extent. That is a great gesture only to those who think it a great boon to be associated in any way with a Viceroy.

Old Familiar Argument

Some critics admit that the statement is disappointing but hold the Congress responsible for that. What else can be expected, they ask, when so many minorities are disowning the Congress and when different parties set up different claims? Now, let it be readily conceded that disunity and treachery have been the bane of India for generations past. But disunity is never a justification for treachery or the subjection of one nation by another. Such subjection only perpetuates that disunity and encourages treachery, as India knows but too well. Left to themselves Indians can solve their minority problem—how many countries are entirely free from it?—sooner than when there is the disturbing element of imperialism with its traditional policy of divide and rule. The British people can help the solution or they can hinder it as they did at the last R. T. Conferences. But the Congress thought that for once Britain, in her own interests, would rise superior to her traditional policy. But even a saint like Gandhiji feels constrained to say—because he sees it all through—that the Viceroy's statement "simply shows that the old policy of divide and rule is to continue". This remark is doubtless suggested by the Viceroy's following observations: "As was only to be expected, conversations with representatives of so many different points of view revealed marked differences of outlook, markedly different demands and markedly different solutions for the problems that lie before us .....I would ask that these differences of view, deeply and sincerely held, I have not the least doubt, by those who have advanced them to me, should be borne in mind when we consider our present problems, for they have a very direct and obvious relevance to them". Lord Zetland in his speech in the House of Lords yesterday and the British newspapers have also repeated the same argument about Indian disunity. Gandhiji is so thoroughly disillusioned by such undue emphasis on differences among a few individuals, ignoring the unanimity among crores of Indians in their demand for independence, that he is convinced that "Congress will be no party" to such a policy of divide and rule. Lord Zetland pays a tribute to Gandhiji for his readiness "to endeavour to appreciate our viewpoint and difficulties" and for his help "in our endeavours to surmount them". But he is not prepared to follow his advice and respond to his appeal.

What Next?

However, the pertinent question now is: What next?" Gandhiji, who is usually most optimistic, concludes from the Viceroy's statement that "there is to be no democracy for India if Britain can prevent it" and that, therefore, "the India of the Congress conception cannot be partner with Britain in her war with Herr Hitler". He even goes further and says that "Congress will have to go into the wilderness again before it becomes strong and pure enough to reach its objective". Millions are doubtless eagerly awaiting the Working Committee's decision, determined to abide by it through thick and thin. They fervently hope and pray that there will be no divided counsels on this vital question of national honour.

Peace In Offing?

The Northern Powers' Conference, which is meeting in Stockholm is, of course, primarily concerned with the Soviet-Finnish negotiations. And it is possible—whether it is probable, is another matter—that the moral support which such a conference will inevitably lend to Finland may weigh with the Soviet and enable the former to escape with better conditions. But reports repeatedly insist that the conference may consider the question of appealing to President Roosevelt and Signor Mussolini "to assume the role of general peace-mediators." The two statesmen may or may not agree. But whatever the developments of the Stockholm move, it would almost appear from Britain's curt answer to India that there was some serious peace move afoot and, what is more, the chances of its success in the near future, were considered to be bright.

Hitler's Appeals

Even more interesting than Signor Mussolini's rumoured approach to Britain in connection with the Balkan States, are reports that Herr Hitler has sent urgent personal messages to M. Stalin and Il Duce and is anxiously awaiting replies. Herr Hitler, of course, is losing his nerves and these agitated "demarches" confirm the fact. But what is their specific objective? It cannot be the desire for pacific mediation by these two statesmen. It may be an appeal for active assistance. But Herr Hitler's willingness to accept Russian military help—let alone the possibility of M. Stalin agreeing at all to enter the war—is highly problematical and the German Fuehrer knows well that Il Duce will not join. Is it that he is afraid of Il Duce actually joining the other side on the excuse of the Balkan question and is, therefore, desperately appealing to M. Stalin not to give Signor Mussolini that ground? Incidentally a check to Russian advance might be calculated also to save for Germany something out of what she has already surrendered to Russia.

Social Insurance In Denmark

By KAMALADEVI CHATTOPADHYAYA

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Denmark has attained considerable reputation through her social schemes and she is proud of that fact. With a population of about 3 1|2 million and an annual national income of 4,200 million Kr. (about 167 1|2 million pounds) 450 mill. Kr. (20 mill. £) that is 10 per cent. nearly is spent on social tasks. In fact about half goes to cover social expenditure, education, scientific and cultural work, and this is on a steadily ascending scale unlike other countries where military preparations draw more and more on national revenues and encroach on welfare items. The grants from the municipalities as well as State have increased between 1932-37 from 43 million to 86 and 10 to 41 respectively, and in the last 15 years it has increased by 75 per cent. Of the total social expenditure the State and local bodies share 2|3, the members of the sick and unemployment clubs, one-fourth; and 4 per cent. employers that is to cover accident and unemployment insurance. Of this the greater part is for public assistance absorbing 40 per cent. of the total public grants under social laws, old age pensions coming next 28 per cent., unemployment and sick insurance taking 14 and 12 per cent. respectively.

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Her outstanding contribution is no doubt in the field of social insurance in which the central and local authorities make the essential outlay, that is out of the total expenditure on social items, 68 per cent. is for social insurance, of which the Government bears 60 per cent. This is against sickness, invalidity and unemployment. Old age pensions, too, are combined in a peculiar way with social insurance as shall be explained later. Accident insurance is on a little different par as the contribution to this comes from the employer alone, the worker bearing no share, whereas in other social insurance, the insured make a contribution. The arrangement is that those who derive benefit out of a dangerous industry by employing labour alone are entitled to bear the financial risk of the workers being injured. Public assistance pre-supposes the recognition of the principle or rather the fact that sickness and poverty are not necessarily the result of personal neglect or indolence and therefore people in such distress are entitled to public help. But social insurance cannot cope with the enormity of such cases of distress and therefore the state and the public have to assist in this social task.

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The most common form of distress is sickness, when the income of the sickman ceases and he and his family become helpless. In Denmark health insurance is still on a voluntary basis, but the population has become so insurance-minded that 80 per cent. of them over 15 years are insured. The system is mainly through sick-clubs. These were first started in the latter half of the 19th century mainly by the working class as sick-benefit clubs to which they made regular contributions and thus helped one another. These grew so rapidly and became so popular that the State sanctioned grants to them in course of time, provided they conformed to certain regulations and submitted to Government Inspection, i.e., it must have at least 200 members attached to a definite grade or live in a limited locality. The members of the club pay two-thirds of the cost. It is this form of insurance that has helped to create a leaning generally towards social insurance and that feeling of self-help that is infinitely better to provide oneself against such distress rather than depend on public charity Naturally it is only the unpropertied classes that can join their clubs This is measured against a fixed limit corresponding to a year's income for a skilled worker when fully employed. and income which falls below that is taken as constituting an "unpropertied" person. This limit is fixed every three years by the Minister, for Social Affairs in consultation with a Parliamentary Committee and he is guided by the latest returns on the earnings of skilled workers.

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There are two classes of membership, active and passive, the latter with income above the maximum and paying a smaller sum as contribution Some special benefits are offered to those who are active members of the sick-clubs. Free medical attention, free hospital treatment, two-thirds of the medical expenses, cash benefit of the size secured to them by their contribution. The assistance of a mid-wife is also given at confinements together with a monetary allowance for a period subsequent to the birth. The club contributes 75 per cent. of the cost of certain vital preparations such as Insulin, Liver preparations, for diabetes and pernicious anaemia. If members wish to secure other medicines they may by payment of 25 per cent. of the cost. They also permit nursing at home, certain dental treatments and above all, rest in convalescent homes many of which are owned or built by the clubs themselves. after a prolonged illness. The benefits are not only for the adult members but their children or foster children under the age of 15. The contribution varies from urban to rural areas but the basis is for an adult two or three days wages per annum. The state gives 2 Kr. per month per member plus 1/4 of the expenses for doctor for treatment outside the home, for day benefits for dental care, for nursing in the home or convalescent home, and 3/4 of the cost for vital preparation such as have been already mentioned. In addition there is a special grant to cover the clubs' outlay as a result of having members suffering from chronic diseases.

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These clubs enjoy certain special consideration from the public hospitals. The hospital charges in all Scandinavia are extra-

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Frankly Speaking

Expediting The Repeal

That the U. S. A. Neutrality Act will eventually be amended as desired by President Roosevelt goes without saying. The only question is the problem of delay in achieving the object. This problem Senator Pitman, who is in charge of the amendment providing for the repeal of arms embargo, is tackling effectively. To win over the lukewarm and the vacillating among the Senators he is voluntarily seeking to give up the provision relating to 90 days' credit. This will not affect the "belligerents" in whose behalf the Act is essentially to be modified. The financial and economic resources of Britain and France are more than sufficient to offset the disadvantages of immediate "cash" transactions. What is of the essence of their need is speedy repeal of the embargo and not credit. Moreover, it is more than likely that the Neutrality Act will be further relaxed as time passes.

Churchill's Statement

Making a statement, particularly in connection with the sinking of the "Royal Oak," Mr. Churchill declared—as a cautious estimate—that "something from a third to a quarter of the total U-boat fleet of Germany has been destroyed, and the gaps made in skilled officers and crews cannot speedily be replaced." This is quite an encouraging position and should reconcile the Allies more than cheerfully to the loss of the "Courageous" and the "Royal Oak." There is one thing in Mr. Churchill's statement which is particularly commendable and does credit to the First Lord's sense of honourable sportsmanship towards the enemy. That is his tribute to "the remarkable exploit of professional skill and daring" displayed by the Commander and crew of the U-boat, which sank the "Royal Oak." To have entered a well protected harbour and accounted for a battleship is a feat of which those concerned can well feel proud. And they are entitled to the honours that have been bestowed upon them by the Germans. Incidentally, the most disappointing feature of the tragedy is not the loss of the battleship but of so many hundreds of lives considering that she was torpedoed in harbour.

Hindu-Muslim Fraternisation

In these days of communal strife and suspicion it does one's heart good to read the news from Dehra Dun that during the local Ramlila procession on Sunday Muslims freely fraternised with Hindus and offered "pan-illaichi" to the processionists. Mr. O. M. Hafiz, President District Muslim League, met the procession half-way and accompanied it some distance together with some Muslim League volunteers. Would we could have more or such instances of fraternisation! And it is possible to have them if proper attempts are made at the proper time. Such incidents are certainly not trivial. They are suggestive of a healthy mass mentality which we should always welcome.

Cheap Grain Shops

In order to counter-act profiteering a circular issued by the Government of Bombay commends various relief measures to local bodies and the public. It suggests, for instance, that cheap grain shops and provision stores should be organised with the collaboration of Municipalities in towns and cities and of Village panchayats in other market places where Municipalities do not exist. But who is to take the initiative in the matter? Government suggest that small committees of prominent persons should be formed for the purpose, as was done during the last war.

Government Should Take Initiative

These are quite good suggestions and in a few places the Municipalities or the public or both have already moved in the matter. But their example may not be followed promptly enough by other Municipalities or private agencies. Yet relief to be appreciable must be extensive and coordinated and calls for sound organisation. Initiative, therefore, is best taken by local Government Officers. Government, therefore, have done well to ask Collectors to approach Municipalities and Village Panchayats in their respective districts for the purpose of organising provision shops wherever necessary. Government have also offered to consider schemes of giving advances for organising such shops, provided proper security for the loans is forthcoming Government can help in various other ways, particularly by bringing to book all those who violate or evade price control measures. Finally, the maximum permitted prices themselves should not be such as encourage profiteering.

Britain's War Chiefs

(By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Flying men who appreciated the wonderful work of Lord Trenchard in the R. F. C. often speculated whether Britain should be able to find in any future war a successor of such distinctive ability. They do not worry now. The simple fact is that R. A. F. leaders of outstanding quality are ready in abundance, and I can hardly imagine that any other air force in the world is so well provided.

At their head, because of the position he occupies as Chief of the Air Staff, is Air Chief Marshal Sir Cyril L. N. Newall, who is fifty-three. He was an officer in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment when he obtained his pilot's certificate as long ago as October, 1911, and he hurried to England from the Indian Army to transfer to the R. F. C. during the war. Eighteen months later, when he was commanding No. 12 Squadron at St. Omer, he gained the Albert Medal for his great courage in breaking into a blazing bomb store and putting out the flames.

Later he became an Air Brigade commander and at the end of the war was a Brigadier-General with the Independent Air Force. His work in the high offices he has filled since then has been consistently brilliant, and no one has done more to bring the R. A. F. to its present remarkable efficiency.

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A close colleague, long accustomed to carrying enormous responsibility, is Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Edward L. Ellington, who is sixty-one, and as an officer of the Royal Artillery qualified for his pilot's ticket in 1912.

He became Inspector-General in 1937 after having set up a record by holding every one of the principal posts in the Service. His great task, when Chief of the Air Staff, was to introduce the expansion scheme, and it is no exaggeration to say that he amazed everyone by the manner in which he planned and perfected a gigantic organisation. The possessor of a first class brain, he is an intellectual with a passion for exactitude, is noted for his dry humour, and likes to keep in the background.

Since June there has been an additional Inspector-General—through the great pressure of work—in the person of Air Marshal Sir Charles S. Burnett, who joined the R. F. C. at the outbreak of the war.

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Then there are at least half a dozen other men of great experience who are playing a big part to-day, and all of them have records which go back to the early days of flying. Air Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, who succeeded Sir Charles Burnett as head of the Training Command, holds the oldest flying certificate in the R. A. F. He was one of the first four naval officers to be given permission to learn to fly in March 1911—at their own expense and that of a spirited civilian, and on condition that they did not fly on Sundays.

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In the army, the names which come first to mind are those of Viscount Gort and Sir Edmund Ironside. Lord Gort was recently described by the Earl of Cavan as "the Army's best soldier."

General Sir W. Edmund Ironside has a personality every bit as great as Lord Kitchner. A great linguist, with a remarkable record of service, he has had all kinds of advantages, and made Gibraltar really impregnable before his recent appointment as Inspector-General of Overseas Forces. In July he was in the "Staff Talks" at Warsaw.

Other men who are going to bulk largely in the news are Lieutenant-General Sir John Dill, of the Aldershot Command—the post held in 1914 by Earl Haig—and Lieutenant-General Sir Archibald Weevell, who has enormously important duties now in the Middle East.

Among other outstanding Army leaders are Lieutant-General Sir Ronald Adam, the brilliant Deputy Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Lieutenant General Sir Robert Cordon-Finlayson, who only a month ago became Adjutant-General of the Forces, and Major-General H.C.B. Wemyss, on whom heavy work has fallen as Director of Mobilisation.

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Among naval leaders bearing huge responsibilities is sixty-two years old Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudly Pound, First Sea Lord and Chief of the Naval Staff. He was commender for his services when in command of the Colossus at Jutland, commanded in the Mediterranean during the Abyssinian crisis, and is regarded as one of the Navy's strong men. Strategically he is an advocate of attack.

The man entrusted with the command of the Home Fleet is Admiral Sir Charles Forbes. He is fifty-eight, and has been in the Service since he was fourteen. A gunnery specialist, he became Jellicoe's flag commander on the Iron Duke, won the D.S.O. at Jutland, and gained invaluable experience in the only great naval battle for a century. Should the British and French Fleets be placed under one cammand, Sir Charles Forbes is regarded as the most likely selection.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

It is to be hoped that when the first natural disappointment has passed, sober reflection will reveal the position in this country as well as in Britain in its proper perspective and inspire the Congress as well as the Muslim League to the duty as well as the responsibility that now devolves upon them and upon all Indians. It is very much a part of both duty and responsibility to furnish the fullest co-operation with Britain in its present hour of need and peril, for what will democracy be worth if its upholders perish?

—Anglo-India.

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It is His Excellency the Viceroy's "earnest hope that the explanations I have given will have contributed materially to the removal of misunderstandings."

As a matter of fact they certainly have. There is no misunderstanding left now. Everything is clear.

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Sjt. C. Rajagopalachar regrets that " a great and unique occasion has been simply thrown away."

Yes to—er—the other 46 whom the Viceroy invited.

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Mr. Abdur Rahman Siddiqi Bengal M.L.A., and member of the Muslim League Working Committee declares that the Viceroy's statement leaves him cold.

Let us hope and earnestly pray that Mr. Siddiqi's leader does not obligingly give it too hot to him on October 22.

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In his no-but-yes comments on the statement Comrade Jamnadas M. Mehta sees possibilities in the Advisory Committee, "if the Advisory Committee were a real live body" and so on.

Our worthy Comrade may reassure-er-himself.

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"Colossal," says a London message, "is the only word to describe the activity of Britain's armament works and warship building yards. . . "

"Colossal" is also the only word to describe the activity and achievement of Britain's representative and friends in India.

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"The general impression," says the same message, "is that everyone is making immense efforts to ensure that the Allies are enabled to fight the war with the utmost vigour."

Our general impression is that in India too similar immense efforts are being made by everyone from Lord Linlithgow down to the *Times of India*.

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Accordingly to Sir Nevile Henderson, Herr Hitler's "great mistake was his complete failure to understand the inherent British sense of morality, humanity and freedom."

Ha, ha, ha.

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Lord Gort is supremely confident that the British Army "will prove itself ever worthy of its history in the past."

At any rate British Imperial Statesmen are already proving themselves supremely worthy of their history in the past.

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HITLER AWAITS ORDERS FROM MOSCOW

—Headline.

Wrong. He has already been instructed to go full speed ahead; go West, we mean. And he has already gone.

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'Do you think I ought to spend a few days in bed, doctor?'

'A few nights would do you more good.'

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

You can always tell a donkey by his lack of horse sense.

Conflicting testimony is but another name for the expert article.

Marriages may be made in heaven, but there will always be a few doubters.

A vacuum is a physical impossibility that exists only in the minds of some people.

Truth crushed to earth will rise again—and the crushing and the rising constitute a continuous performance.

Chamberlain On Good Beginning By Allies

Fantastic German Claims Of British Losses Refuted

LONDON, October 18.

"There has been no indication from Berlin of the view of the German Government upon the issues I sought to define" declared Mr. Chamberlain making his weekly statement on the situation in the House of Commons to-day. He was referring to his declaration of last week in reply to Herr Hitler's "peace plan." There was, therefore, nothing to add to his statement last week.

PROPAGANDA OF LIES

German propaganda organs have used all possible ingenuity so to twist foreign comment as to make it somewhat less unfavourable to their own view point. I should doubt whether this effect has had any success outside Germany itself for it is difficult to conceal the fact that the vast bulk of comment of nearly all shades of political colour in Neutral Countries has shown full appreciation of the attitude of the Allied Governments. It seems evident that inconveniences, which the war inevitably brings to all non-belligerent countries, have not obscured the fundamental issues at stake the determination of which must effect for good or ill the moral and material welfare of neutral peoples, no less than that of the belligerents.

UNITY OF COMMAND

On the Western Front the British Expeditionary Force has now finally taken over the allotted sector of the French line and all divisions are in position. The understanding between the French and British Higher Command is complete. The fact that our Expeditionary Force is under the Command of the French Commander-in-Chief and the unity of command thus achieved at so early a stage of the war is one proof of this accord. Another is to be found in the agreement whereby French troops are serving under the orders of the British Commander-in-Chief in France.

SEVERE LOSSES AT SEA

At sea activity has been unremitting both in attack and defence.

After paying a tribute to the navy for their efforts the Prime Minister said: "In carrying out their task the navy, during this week, sustained severe losses both in officers and men and the House will desire to pay a tribute to the memory of all who have given their lives to the defence of their country whether on sea, land or in air. Heavy toll has been taken of U-Boats since the war began. Failure of this form of attack to interfere with our trade may be judged when I inform the House that it is estimated that the losses sustained by British shipping entering or leaving our ports during the week ended October 17 represents only about one half of one per cent. of the total number of sailing.

FANTASTIC CLAIMS

Attacks by enemy aircraft on our fleet bases have begun. The extent of the enemy's disappointment at this failure to inflict any serious injury on our ships may be measured by the fantastic nature of the claims they have felt obliged to invent. It is not true and I must repeat it once again, though by now the news grows stale through repetition, that the "Hood", "Repulse" or any other capital ship has suffered the least damage. The same is true of the "Ark Royal". The Government have not hesitated to publish the full extent of any losses sustained.

The imaginary losses described by the German broadcasts might serve to raise their spirits for a time, but in the end their falsity would be demonstrated and the consequent disappointment would only be more depressing.

AIR BATTLES

Mr. Chamberlain added: "We on our side have no intention of claiming successes of which we are not convinced. We are now in air battles, which during the past two days, have for the first time, been fought over our coasts. We have destroyed eight enemy aircraft without losing a single machine of our own. We believe that more German bombers may have failed to reach home. The total number of aircraft taking part in the raids did not exceed thirty. The casualties which we inflicted upon the enemy thus certainly exceeded 25 per cent. of the attacking force and may have been higher".

After paying a tribute to the R.A.F. the Prime Minister said: "The Auxiliary Air Force won the first and rescunding success by bringing down three out of four German aircraft destroyed in the raid on Rosyth. We may indeed be encouraged by the knowledge that our defences have proved so successful in these first tests of their strength and that our fighter aircraft have been shown to possess excellence or quality for which we had hoped".

GOOD BEGINNING

Mr. Chamberlain added:—"In these early days we must not indulge in foolish boasts that attacks have been few and on a small scale. It would be unwise to assume that we have always been as successful as in these first exchanges. There are many surprises in the war and they cannot all be pleasant, but we have at least the satisfaction of knowing that we have made a good beginning."

"HOME FRONT"

Mr. Attlee, after associating the Labour Party with the tributes to those who lost their lives in recent operations, said that it did not seem to him that the Government was taking nearly seriously enough the question of organisation of the Home Front and sustaining the 'morale' of the people. It was of vital importance to the efficiency of our fighting services that they should know everything was satisfactory at home with their families.

Equally they were not in the least satisfied with regard to the economic side of war and economic organisation of the country for war. They were wholly dissatisfied with any suggestion that this was a matter, which could be left to part-time efforts of Sir John Simon and Lord Stamp or part-time efforts of anybody. They ought to have proper representation by someone responsible for economic organisation—someone, who was responsible for organisation with regard to pensions and everything else, which would sustain the 'morale' of the civil population.

CHURCHILL AND SOVIET HINT

(From our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Oct. 18.

It is stated in diplomatic circles here that the Soviet dropped a hint that it would welcome a visit from Mr. Churchill to the Kremlin.

However, it emphasised that Britain has no intention "of entering the recently popular Kremlin queue."

STOP PRESS

Congress President's Statement

PATNA, Oct. 18.

In the course of a statement on the Viceregal statement Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, says:

"India would be false to her interest and untrue to the best interests of other suppressed nationalities if she would help Imperialism to strengthen itself.

It is still open to Britain to rule India without her consent and even to expect material help for the conduct of war. But Great Britain shall not have that spiritual support of India, of which the Viceroy has spoken in such eloquent terms.

The announcement has effectively destroyed the foundation for any such moral or spiritual support and the war is, as it now appears to everyone to have always been, a war for strengthening Britain's imperial position in her possessions. The much advertised high aims have crumbled into dust at the first touch of reality.

The Working Committtee of the Congress is going to meet on October 22 at Wardha to consider the announcement and to frame its reply to the Viceroy. I hope all Congressmen will await with patience and determination the reply of the Working Committee and conduct themselves with restraint and dignity."—A. P.

ZETLAND PULLS UP SANKEY

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tial that the Western and Eastern approaches to India should be adequately defended.

It would clearly have been the height of folly to have given the world by discussion in the legislature advance notice of our military dispositions.

Nevertheless, both the Viceroy and I were anxious to take leaders of political parties in India into our confidence and our plans were, therefore, communicated to the Leaders of political parties in the Assembly including, of course, the Congress Party. So much for precautionary measures whereto, exception was subsequently taken.

TRIBUTE TO MAHATMA

I now come to the outbreak of war. For a long time past, the Viceroy, with my full knowledge and approval, has been in close touch with the most outstanding figure on the Indian political stage, Mahatma Gandhi; and here may I pause for a moment to pay a personal tribute to Mr. Gandhi, known to and beloved by peoples of India for the readiness, which he has shown not only to interpret to us the viewpoint and aspirations of the Congress, but to endeavour to appreciate in his turn, our viewpoint and difficulties with which we have had to grapple and furthermore, for the help, which he has most willingly given us in our endeavours to surmount them

This being so, it was natural that immediately on the outbreak of war, the Viceroy should have invited Mr. Gandhi to take counsel with him. The invitation was promptly accepted and within 48 hours of the declaration of war, they were in close consultation. The outcome is known, for Mr. Gandhi has himself stated publicly, that speaking in his purely personal capacity, for he was not authorised to speak for the Congress, his view was that in the struggle upon which this country had entered, India should give us unconditional support. Thereafter, the Working Committee of the Congress met at Wardha to consider the situation and they invited to their Council room, not only members of the Working Committee but others including Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. Subhas Bose.

INDIA AND WAR AIMS

It was not, however, until September 15 that the result of their deliberations was made known in the form of a comprehensive statement. Such a document setting forth, as it did, the views of the most powerful political party in India called for the most careful consideration. Your lordships may study it for yourselves, for you will find it printed as an 'annex' to the Viceroy's statement in the White Paper and it is sufficient for my purpose at the moment to say, that broadly speaking, the effect of it was, while condemning unequivocally the action of the German Government to make it clear that before they, as a party, could decide to give us their support, they would wish to be informed of our War aims and in particular, how those aims would apply to India.

MUSLIMS AND OTHER MINORITIES

Lord Zetland added: "Meanwhile, the Working Committee of the next most numerous and powerful political party in India—the All-India Muslim League, whose President, Mr. Jinnah, had also been in consultation with the Viceroy to consult with him—met to take stock of the situation and issued a statement on September 18, from which it was apparent, that, while Muslims equally with the Congress unhesitatingly condemned aggression, of which the Nazi Government had been guilty, there was between their view and that of the Congress regarding the internal political situation, a substantial divergence. Here, again, I need not enter into details for the text of this statement also will be found in the White Paper.

The Viceroy has been at pains to acquaint himself fully with the view of these two organisations by personal discussion with their leaders. But his consultations did not stop there, for, there were the Princes, who from first, have thrown their whole weight into the scale against aggression and who had been in close contact with the Viceroy through the Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes; and there was the National Liberal Federation of India, who, as will be seen by reference to their statement printed in the White Paper, had already made their attitude towards War plain and had offered unconditional support to Great Britain. And over and above these, there were the leaders of other communities and interests such as, the Hindu Mahasabha, he Scheduled Castes, Sikhs and Parsees, to mention only some of them, who instantly made it clear that their views and interests should not be left out of account in the discussions that were in progress.

BOGEY OF MAJORITY DOMINATION

There, then, you have the background of the Indian picture; what of the main features of the picture itself? They may be said to be two in number; first, the desire on the part of all communities to see the overthrow of the menace, which overshadows Europe in particular and the world in general and, secondly, the desire for self-expression, which takes the form in the domain of politics, of self-government on a democratic basis. But here, there are qualifications, for there is, on the part of minorities, insistent demand for safeguards against consequences, which, rightly or wrongly, it is feared, might result from unfettered domination of the majority.

"ROOT CAUSE OF OUR DIFFICULTIES."

Lord Zetland added "and herein is to be found the root cause of our difficulties—difficulties which those who are not burdened with the responsibility, which rests upon His Majesty's Government and the Government of India, may—and frequently do—discount, but which His Majesty's Government themselves cannot ignore. For those, who confine their gaze to one part only of the picture, the problem of Self-Government for India may appear to be a comparatively simple one: but for those who like His Majesty's Government, have to view the picture as a whole this is far from being the case. I shall have something to say on that aspect of the case before I resume my seat.

CONSULTATIVE BODY.

Meanwhile let me say that it is in our view eminently desirable that consultations with the leaders of public opinion in India which the Viceroy has initiated since the outbreak of war—I think he has seen more than 50 leaders—should not only be maintained, but should be provided for by some more definite machinery. The means proposed for achievement of that object are set out by the Viceroy in his statement. Briefly stated, what we have in mind is a broadly based consultative body, whose personnel would be drawn by the Viceroy from panels of individuals nominated by various political parties and interests.

Lord Zetland added: "From this main body, the Viceroy, who would himself preside over its deliberations, would summon members to attend particular meetings at which, according to the business to be taken into consideration, their presence was desirable. Such a body would serve as a 'liaison' between the Government and the people, since it would have imparted to it, views and proposals of the Government and in its turn, would be in a position to give free and frank expression to its opinions on all matters laid before it.

"These might well include matters, which in times of war, it would be inconvenient to discuss in a more public manner. Such a scheme would possess this further advantage; that those concerned, representing different parties, communities and interests, would be in close association not only with the Viceroy, but also with one another and it would be my hope, that the association and collaboration in so great an enterprise as the conduct of war, would tend gradually to lessen the differences and emphasise the extent of the common interest of all those taking part in it and of those whom they represent."

DOMINION STATUS

Lord Zetland added: I should like, in conclusion, to say, a few words of a more general character. Responsible self-Government for India is the goal set forth by Parliament in the Preamble of the Act of 1919; and it was with the full authority of the Government of the day, that my noble friend, the Foreign Secretary, stated ten years later, that the natural issue of India's progress as there contemplated—that is to say, in the Preamble of the Act of 1919—was the attainment of Dominion Status. From that objective, we never had, and have not now, the smallest intention of departing.

POLITICAL UNITY

The purpose of the Act of 1935 was to provide that the machinery whereby the people of India might acquire that measure of political unity, which surely is the prerequisite to the attainment by them of their eventual goal. Much has been said in disparagement of the measure, yet it should not be forgotten that it was the outcome of immense labour on the part of Indians and Britons alike and was based on the greatest measure of common agreement which was then obtainable. And I would add, this that even in the case of a written constitution, provisions of the Statute are no more than the bony skeleton of a structure, flesh and blood, which give it life and vigour, are added day by day by those engaged in working it. Within the framework, practices take root and conventions grow up. The Constitution becomes a living and growing organism deriving form and substance from its environment. The truth of that has been demonstrated by two years' working of the Act in so far as it affects the Provinces of British India as I feel sure the Ministers of to-day, some of whom, a little more than two years ago rejected it as of little worth, will be willing to admit. I believe that similar experience of the working of the Federal Provisions of the Act would be attended by similar results.

Lord Zetland added:—"You cannot abolish them by merely closing your eyes to their existence. You must face them and search for means to remove their underlying forces. I believe that the menace, which now confronts all of us Englishmen, Hindus, Muslims, Princes and peoples alike may aid us to achieve what hitherto has eluded our grasp Can we not, standing shoulder to shoulder for a common purpose banded together in comradeship of arms, learn to view, in truer perspective, against the background of the supreme and imminent peril—for what would it profit India, if the forces of aggression and of evil emerged victorious from this war?—those internal and domestic differences which have hitherto raised such formidable obstacles along the road to that goal towards which the peoples of both countries have determined to travel.

"ESSENTIAL OF NATIONHOOD."

This then, is my appeal to the peoples of India—that, in comradeship with us, while presenting a united front to the forces ranged against us, they strive after that agreement among themselves without which they will surely fail to achieve that unity, which is an essential of nationhood of which, those with vision among her leaders have long dreamed and which must surely be the crowning achievement of long and intimate political relationship between the peoples of Great Britain and India.

Lord Snell continued: "They asked for a more definite promise and I think, Lord Zetland has made some contribution which may satisfy to some extent the anxieties of the Indian people. Everything will depend upon the way this consultative body represents some advance for which I am grateful. I think, there is still room for further progress in India to apply general principles it is nevertheless general principles that count on this occasion. The Indian people consider that they had been morally committed to the prosecution of a war wherein they were not consulted and that they will have to abide by a peace wherein, they will have no say.

COMMON LOVE OF MOTHERLAND

Lord Snell added: "I think, Lord Zetland has made some contribution, which may satisfy to some extent the anxieties of the Indian people. I admit the difficulties in regard to India. It is a tangle of races, religions, languages and separate interests and it is not easy to get them all to work together, but I cannot help remembering that although the people of India differ in this way, there is one overriding factor—common love of motherland, which gives them unity, which is stronger than their differences."

Lord Sankey said that Indians were getting rather tired of talking about the actual goal and what Indians would like was something on account. The most important part of the scheme was the third part, namely, "how can we best obtain the co-operation of all parties in India".

Referring to the Consultative Committee, Lord Sankey asked what power it would have. It had been pointed out to many Indians, he said, that if the Consultative Committee like this, gave unanimous opinion, the Viceroy would have very great difficulty in going behind it.

Lord Sankey added, "as far as it goes, it is a good idea, but does it go far enough?"

ZETLAND'S REPLY

Lord Zetland, replying to the debate said, he would like to associate himself whole-heartedly with many expressions of admiration of the Viceroy's conduct of his high office, which had fallen from so many lips. No man, said Lord Zetland, could have brought to his task greater sympathy, greater energy and, to some extent, greater knowledge of the immediate problems of India, with which he had had to grapple.

Lord Zetland continued: "Of course there can be no going back in the constitutional field in India. We have been going steadily forward and I was little surprised when I heard Lord Sankey speak as it seemed to me, in somewhat disparaging terms, that we had set up as our goal in India the attainment of Dominion Status."

"CANNOT BE UNDULY HURRIED

Lord Zetland continued: "Surely Lord Sankey who was himself so largely concerned with the framing, particularly of the Federal provisions of the Act of 1935, must realise that these things cannot be unduly hurried, that there are many interests in India, which must be taken into account and I should have thought that the Act of 1935, itself showed considerable advance along the road towards the goal, which we have set ourselves."

ITS FUNCTIONS

Lord Zetland concluded: "With regard to its functions, I think perhaps the fact has been a little overlooked that the Legislative Assembly will, of course, continue to be in existence. This group is not in any sense intended to displace the Legislative Assembly, where matters can be discussed freely and openly. This is rather a group of people representing different schools of political thought in India whom the Viceroy can take into his confidence, with whom he can frankly and freely discuss matters connected with the conduct of the war and war activities and such matters, that in times of war, it might be inappropriate to discuss in a more public manner."—Reuter.

On a charge of rash and negligent driving Dayabhai Umedbhai Patel was placed before the Magistrate at Mazagaon Court, to-day, and was ordered to be released on bail.

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Mainly About Motion Pictures

Studio Spy's Column

An F. C. (Calcutta) News bulletin announcing some time back that the Managing Director of the Company Mr. M. G. Kabra and the General Manager Mr. R. Sharma were in Bombay making elaborate arrangements for the production of "Sant Kabir" stated that "Big themes require gigantic endeavours".

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Talking about F. C. I'm informed that the only immediate effect that the present War has had on the Studio is the shifting of their working office from Motisil Street (Calcutta) to their studio premises in Tollygunge (Calcutta)....by way of cutting down expenses of course. How one would wish some of our own producers here followed this example instead of issuing notices to the poor artistes and technicians!

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"My Beloved"....I beg your pardon Saraswati Cinetone's.... is it is said having the finishing touches at Poona and will soon be here in Bombay!

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Can you beat this one. One of our newly started film-producing concerns piloted their maiden release in the following novel and melodramatic fashion. Some half-a-dozen Anglo-Indian extras were 'made up' and sent round with nosegays to corner the female section of local cine-goers! And then they say our publicity methods are not up to the mark!

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I Hear

That one of our 'beauty queens of the screen' is about to contract a matrimonial alliance with a leading young public figure of the Punjab. Of course the terms of the contract are a close secret!

That Prithviraj is seriously contemplating immediate return to Calcutta and N. T. and is making necessary efforts to get Ranjit to relieve him from future obligations.

That Ashok Kumar is to be switched off to the Production Staff of B. T., as a special case ....and in view of his better aptitude for Laboratory work.

That Ranjit have not given up hope of importing Leela Desai.

That Bombay Talkies have decided to approach Amar Mullick to come over and direct their pictures.

That N. T.'s "Jawani-ki-Reet" (A Circo production) includes four very well-known songs of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, in the Bengali version "Parajaya."

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Stranger Than Fiction!

"The other day there was a scene of mental hospital and the atmosphere created was so real that artistes working as lunatics actually showed signs of lunacy by auto-suggestion. And it took time to bring them to their real self after the shooting was over".

—Extract from a local Studio's News Bulletin.

RAJKOT, Oct. 12.

The local Capital Talkies, have taken a fine lead in giving a free show to Harijans at the end of 3rd completed week of Ranjit's "Sant-Tulsidas." The Harijans of Rajkot, especially ladies and children, took enthusiastic interest and attended in large numbers.

Previews Of Coming Indian Films

Bombay Talkies' Latest Will Be A Triumph For Leela Chitnis And V. H. Desai

'Kangan', 'Achhut', 'Zindagi', 'Bhole Bhale', 'Toofan And Alochhaya', 'On The River' 'Kahan Hai Manzil Teri' And 'Swastik'

(By Jamil Ansari)

Under ordinary circumstances a Bombay Talkies' picture without Devika Rani would not offer much temptation. However the outstanding success achieved by "Bhabhi" now makes cine-fans look with much less suspicion on B.T.'s non-Devika Rani productions.

"Kangan"

"Kangan" the third and latest of these productions may safely be predicted as an A1 film on more than one counts. Unquestionably the first symptoms are highly encouraging. Leela Chitnis, after Devika Rani, the brainiest and most polished star in Indian films, at last gets a well-deserved break with Bombay's premier Studio. What looks every bit like being one of the outstanding stellar performances of the year will only be the crowning glory of a short but eventful career of intelligent and polished screen portrayal. Leela did not wake up one fine morning and find herself famous! The sporting manner in which this brave girl for a long time condescended to stereotyped roles and stood up to a series of totally undeserved rebuffs and setbacks at the hands of a cruel 'evil star' speaks volumes for the deep and genuine love in her heart for histrionic art on the screen as a real and living art. Even though she was often called upon to work in roles and under conditions and circumstances far below that befitting her unusual talents she never grumbled or took things lightly and even in her most insignificant and minor screen 'excursions' we always noticed the same stampe of natural gift giving glimpses of the real artiste even though smothered by a lot of balderdash.

Leela Chitnis, who looks every bit like scoring a great personal triumph in B.T.'s latest "Kangan" to be released at Roxy on October 28.

After seeing her brilliant work in 'Chhaya' one felt it impossible to believe that such a great artiste would ever again be neglected by the three leading studios of the country. But the ways of producers are not merely strange, they are deliberate! It was left to Chandulal Shah to sign Leela up for the second great role of her screen life. It was left to Ranjit's 'Santdas' which gave picture-goers a second glimpse of the real artiste. Her rendering of a part that was eminently suited to her histrionic calibre will ever be recalled as one of the most flawless screen portrayals of the year. Quite natural that a connoisseur of the intelligence and foresight of Himansu Rai should have decided to create a welcome precedent by giving a talented and much-neglected artiste the break she positively deserved.

I do not believe in clairvoyance but I can already see Himansu Rai congratulating himself on his choice after the release of "Kangan" and negotiating with Leela for a permanent long term contract. V. H. Desai that most entertaining screen figure, who like Edward Everret Horton has a naive habit of stealing a picture is said to have excelled himself in "Kangan"—which if you have seen Desai's fine work in 'Bhabhi' and 'Durga' means a lot. Then of course as you know "Kangan" is B. T.'s first production not directed by Franz Osten. This will incidentally give us a chance of proving or disproving the veracity of an oft-published statement that B. T. films were beginning to show signs of stale direction. Veteran Acharya assisted by young Najamul Hasan has been entrusted with the destinies of the picture and it is to be seen how these two quit themselves at the Roxy on October 28, when their maiden directorial vehicle is scheduled to have its gala premiere.

Ila Devi in Wadia's maiden non-stunt picture "Kahan Hai Manzil Teri" to be released at Lamington shortly.

Sagar's "Intelligent Farce"

An "intelligent farce" is how Sagar officially describe their latest production "Bhole Bhale" ("Poor Sweethearts") to be released at the Pathe next Saturday. Three A's, Adib, Advani and Arun and two B's, Banerji (Maya) and Bibbo were placed at the disposal of Director Zia Sarhady for the making of this 'intelligent farce.' From what I have been able to pick up the picture is supposed to be one of those usual skits on 'Love' .... 'Modern Love'. Arun the new find from Lahore who did so well in Mehboob's 'Only Way' will undoubtedly provide the principal centre of interest though Maya, Bibbo and Advani are all tried artistes. As regards Prem Adib, if he can get the same inspiration from Maya as he got from Shobhana in Sagar's fine pastoral "Sadhana" he may be expected to give a good account of himself. Zia Sarhady is an intelligent hand and it's safe to predict that he will see that the "intelligent" part of 'Bhole Bhale' gets the better of the 'farce' part!

V. H. Desai, Bombay Talkies' entertaining artiste is going to score heavily in their latest "Kangan" (starring Leela Chitnis), coming to Roxy on Oct. 28.

Ranjit's "Achhut"

Remember what you were told earlier in these columns about Ranjit's forthcoming social "Achhut" having a powerful story? Well my latest soundings confirm that statement. More than that I'm now in a position to tell you that the principal roles fit the principal stars to the finger tips. Motilal, India's leading film topnotcher is sure to add another feather to his already overfeathered cap and Gohar, that most popular and talented veteran star may be confidently expected to give a fine account of herself. Then there's little Vasanti our rapidly growing-up child-prodigy. Director Chandulal Shah has taken great pains over the direction and production of 'Achhut'. He has got together some of the best-known names in Indian filmdom, spent a lot of time and money and add to this the weight of Chandulal's own personal resources for supervision and guidance and you will have enough guarantee that "Achhut" cannot be anything but excellent entertainment.

Gohar, the talented and popular veteran star is out to stage a brilliant come-back in Ranjit's thought provoking social to be released in Bombay during Divali.

Barua's "Zindagi"

Thank God, Director Barua has after all decided to have a more palatable name for his forthcoming picture. "Zindagi," adapted from 'Priya-Bandhabi' a story by Probodh Sanyal, the brilliant young Bengali novelist is indeed a fine title even though coming so close in the wake of Shantaram's "Life's for Living," it is not altogether original.

Talking about "Zindagi" I suppose you already know that it reunites Saigal and Jamuna after a 'separation' of years. But what I bet you don't already know is the following amusing though disheartening piece of news about the 'reunion picture':

Announces an N. T. Studio News Bulletin. . . "Jamuna who was under severe schooling for the last several months—promises to spring a pleasant surprise by her singing."

Jamuna is one of our really talented artistes and is fully capable of rising to the zenith of histrionic achievement in the most difficult and complex roles. But if there's one thing which she can't do and shouldn't be asked to do it's to sing. Unless the "severe schooling" has performed some sort of a miracle with her vocal cords I'm afraid poor Jamuna will cut a very sorry figure as songstress opposite golden-voiced Saigal, particularly if there are included in the film and you can rest assured there must be—any duet numbers. Anyways be prepared!

Pankaj Mullick As Hero

But here's indeed something very heartening. Pankaj Mullick the musical genius and divine 'Voice' which gave us such pathhealers as 'Sharabi,' 'Barkha Rat' and 'Pia milan ko jana' to enchant us in greater earnest as the singing hero of "Ali Chhaya" and "Toofan" the maiden double version production of the Associated Productions Ltd. The following excerpt from the scenario speaks for itself: 'The hero Ranjan (Pankaj Mullick) was preparing for the fateful journey. Ranjan was reluctant to go but had no other alternative and he tried his best to hide his feelings from Sulata (Srilekha). *Ranjan was singing all to himself and this song brought out the sentiments he had for Sulata.* Sulata was standing behind, with a cup of tea for Ranjan and her heart bleed at the very thought of the shortly coming separation from Ranjan'.

What wouldn't we give to hear that Song!

By the way it may interest you to know that Blind-Singer K. C. Dey is directing the music of this double version film. It was time ol' man Dey got a break. Then Malina is there and she sings some duets with Pankaj. Director D. R. Das looks every bit like launching the most entertaining picture of the year. And don't you believe all those yarns about Pankaj not being able act. A learned contemporary detected and took to task the 'sphinx-like' expression on Pankaj's face when he was rendering 'Pia milan ko jana' in "Kapal Kundala." Our contemporary may be right but for my part I would have loathed to see a reputed Moghul Court Singer reveal an inelegant and irreconcilable habit of say, twitching the lips, spreadeagling the eye-brows, swinging the skull or loose-shunting the lump in the throat! Here's a tip—take it or leave it. . . Pankaj's acting will be a pleasant revelation!

"On The River"

Ranjit's 'Good Luck' transformed on second thoughts to the more suggestive and intelligible 'On the River' reunites two of our most gifted artistes, Kumar and Sitara. Their fine work individually and as a team in Sagar's "Watan" must still be fresh in the memories of most cine-fans. As the story is a costume play—it's I think something about gipsies—both these artistes who are eminently fitted for this particular type of film may be expected to repeat their past brilliant performances. Kumar in particular is a living 'chronicle' of undeserved disappointments and setbacks. It pains one to see so much real talent being consistently neglected. He deserves a break with one of our 'Big Three.' I would love to see him costarred with that other gifted artiste Leela Chitnis, wouldn't you? and with Amar Mullick to direct them. . But it's only a wish. . .

Indurani as she appears in Mohan Pictures' first social, "Swastik", to be released at Krishna to-morrow.

"K. H. M. T." & "Swastik"

Wadia Movietone and Mohan Pictures well-known producers of our 'Mails' and 'Walis have actually produced two non-stunt pictures which will be shown to us before long. Wadia's "Kahan Hai Manzil Teri is the Divali surprise for Lamington Talkies while Mohan Pictures' 'Swastik" is to be released at Krishna Cinema to-morrow. Now if I were you I would make it a point to see both these films for the following interesting reasons:

"K.H.M.T." To sit through and find out what this dialogue of a name is there for. They say the film is a 'fantasy' and they may be right!

"Swastik": Out of sheer respect for our Film Censors! After all they put the noose round five times before finally changing their mind, and then too it was only the Home Minister's tactfulness which let the film through and prevented, just in time what promised to develop into a farcical situation.

In any case my hat's off to the Wadia brothers and to Messrs Ramniklal Mohanlal, for this new and encouraging orientation in their ideals of film production. It is to be hoped that "K.H.M.T." and "Swastik" are the forerunners of, from henceforth, more pertinent films than those 16,000 odd feet of cheap camera tricks and audiographic distortions. Of course I trust the whole thing isn't after all another and bigger STUNT!

Kumar and Sitara, two brilliant artistes are reunited in Ranjit's forthcoming "On the River".

Advani, Arun and Adib, the three Sagar A's look every bit like producing real fun in their forthcoming farce 'Bhole Bhale' to be released at Pathe next Saturday.

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CENTRAL: "Admi" Prabhat's Shantaram production; India's greatest picture of the year, starring Shanta Hublikar, Shahu Modak, a picture for the intelligentsia. Don't miss it; (6th week).

MAJESTIC: "In Search Of Happiness" Huns' Marathi Social featuring Baburao Pendharkar, Meenakshi, Usha, Vimal, etc. Excellent thought-provoking theme with fine witty dialogues. A treat for the Marathi knowing fans. Should not miss this picture. (4th week.)

IMPERIAL: "Kaun Kisika" A Hindusthan Cinetone picture. State intrigue and full of entertainment, featuring Shobhana Samarth, Khurshid, Padma, Mubarak, Nazir, etc. (2rd week.)

OPERA HOUSE: "Sant Tulsidas" —Ranjit's devotional picture with a message to all. Still grips Bombay, far and wide. Featuring. Leela Chitnis, Pagnis, Vasantee, K. Datey. (17th week.)

MINERVA: "Pukar". Sohrab Modi's outstanding screen achievement reviving the old Moghul glory. Features Naseem, Chandra Mohan and Sohrab Modi. Very popular. Should be seen. (11th week.)

ROXY: "Kapal Kundala." New Theatres Ltd. picture, featuring Najam, Leela Desai, Kamlesh; good songs by Pankaj Mullik. (5th week.)

WEST END: "Pati Patni". General Films Ltd., social production featuring Shobhana Samarth, Amina, Wasti, K. N. Singh. (2nd week.)

KRISHNA: "Snehalata" (Gujerati), from to-morrow Mohan Pictures' 'Swastik.'

Baburao Pendharkar and Meenaxi share a study in expressions from Huns' Pictures' latest "In Search of Happiness" now providing excellent entertainment at Majestic.

MUTT AND JEFF—The Question Is—Are They Both Fishing with One Worm By BUD FISHER

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Maximum For Rural Debt Relief

Second Reading Of Bill In Bombay Assembly

Twenty clauses of the Agricultural Debtors' Relief Bill were accepted. during the second reading of the Bill, in the Bombay Legislative Assembly, on Wednesday.

The Hon. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Assembly, was in the chair.

The amendment moved on the previous day by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta (Railway Labour) seeking to delete a sub-clause which stated that every application made by a debtor to a Debt Adjustment Board, should be accompanied with such court-fees as might be payable under the Court Fees Act, was rejected by the House, 22 members voting for and 45 against the amendment.

The Finance Minister accepted the amendment. It was carried.

AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED

An amendment was moved by Mr. D. K. Kunte to clause 19 which laid down that every creditor and debtor had to file a true and correct statement before the Debt Adjustment Board. The amendment sought to include more particulars in the applications. The amendment was accepted by the Finance Minister and passed by the House.

Another amendment was moved by Mr. Kunte to the same clause, seeking to put a check on deliberate tactics that might be resorted to by either parties. The amendment was accepted by the Finance Minister and passed by the House.

The amended clause, then was passed by the House.

FIXING MAXIMUM DEBT

Mr. Kunte moved another amendment to a clause which fixed the debts of a debtor to a maximum of Rs. 25,000, as decided by the Provincial Government. The amendment sought to fix the amendment at Rs. 15,000.

Mr. Jhabvala moved an amendment seeking to fix the amount at Rs. 5,000.

Mr. Mohommed Cassim Mitha by another amendment sought to fix the amount at Rs. 25,000 and sought to substitute the alternative figure of Rs. 15,000 which was laid down by the Bill as the maximum sum for deciding an application for the adjustment of debts, by Rs. 25,000.

Mr. Latthe, explaining, stated that usually in the courts debts extending to Rs. 15,000 came up for decision. He, therefore, accepted Mr. Kunte's amendment and opposed others.

Mr. Kunte's amendment was carried and the rest rejected. The amended clause was passed.

The House, after accepting more clauses, adjourned till Thursday (today).

Demand For Supplementary Grant

Mr. A. B. Latthe, Finance Minister, presented today in the Legislative Assembly a supplementary statement of expenditure for 1939-40.

Giving reasons for a supplementary grant for Rs. 168,271 for the propaganda activities of the Prohibition Board, the Minister stated that the propaganda activities of the Board had been going on since 1939 and would continue during the current year. The annual cost of the scheme comes to Rs. 2,04,000.

The supplementary grant will be discussed on October 23.

EMBARRASSING SITUATION FOR INSURERS

The Hon. Secretary of the Indian Life Assurance Association has been directed by the Committee of The Indian Life Association to address The Superintendent of Insurance Department of Commerce, Simla on the various Insurance Legislations that have been carried out by various Indian States' like Mysore, Travancore and Jammu and Kashmir. The Committee reminds him, of his visit in Bombay, when at the interview granted on 5th January 1939 to Bombay Members of the Association to discuss various difficulties in the Insurance Act 1938, it was pointed out to him that an embarrassing situation will be created for Indian Insurers if the Indian States pass identical legislation and treat the Indian Insurers doing business there as foreign concerns.

The Committee further submit, that there is no justice in the demands by Native States for Deposits and Investments for policy liabilities of Indian Insurers in those Native States, as corresponding Deposits and Investments for liabilities of Indian Insurers in Indian States are already placed with the Government of India.

In connection with provisions for Insurers regarding Investment of Assets in Section 27 of the Indian Insurance Act, 1938, the Committee, opposed to the necessity of provisions of the nature provided for in Sec. 27 of Insurance Act regarding Investment of Assets. The Committee are now further perturbed by the evil consequences of War, which effects the Assets of Insurance Companies specially, because of the nature of the Statutory Investments provided for in Section 27 of the Insurance Act.

The Committee, therefore requests that the Insurers be allowed to Value the Investments in Securities at their cost price.

END OF PHOENIX MILL STRIKE

Points At Dispute To Be Referred To Justice Divatia & Mr. Chitre

On the intervention of Mr. Jinabhai Joshi and Mr. J. C. Maitra, on behalf of the "F" Ward Congress Committee, who placed before the Government the demands of the representatives of the workers, the deadlock of the Phoenix Mill, Parel, has now been ended.

It will be recalled that the mill was closed in April last.

The demands were placed before the Premier and Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Secretary, on Wednesday:—

The following are some of the conditions agreed upon.

All old workers of the Mills who get themselves enrolled in the Mills Office up to 12 noon on the 27th October 1939 out of those who were working in the day shift will be taken up in service for the day shift.

The workers employed in the night shift prior to the closing of the Mills will be employed only when the Mills begin to work the night shift.

The employers, however, will not be bound to employ such men whose names are submitted by the Employers to the Commissioner of Labour before 6 p.m. on the 26th October, 1939.

The Managing Agents have undertaken to re-employ such of the men whose cases have been referred as aforesaid to Dewan Bahadur Chitre, and as may be held by him to be not guilty—

(a) of misconduct within the meaning of the standing orders Nos. 21 and 22;

(b) of having committed, promoted or instigated acts of violence, intimidation or coercion; and

(c) of having committed other wrongful acts in connection with the activities of the workers of the Phoenix Mills within a month before the closing of the Mills and subsequent thereto.

Dewan Bahadur Chitre will investigate into the complaints, hear the parties and take only such evidence as he may think proper.

The question of wages to be paid to the old workers who are re-employed on the opening of the Mills, between the opening of the Mills and the date of the award and thereafter will be determined by the Hon. Mr. Justice Divatia.

As regards payment to the workers upto the date of the award, the employers shall pay to the employees not less than 80 per cent. of the wages paid to them prior to the closing of the Mills on account but the account of the wages will be settled and paid after the award of the Hon. Mr. Justice Divatia in accordance therewith.

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Compensation & Fixing Of 'Reasonable Rent'

Seven Clauses Of Tenancy Bill Passed In Bombay Council

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Seven clauses of the Tenancy Bill mainly relating to the fixing of the reasonable rent of the land held by a protected tenant and concerning the compensation to be paid to a tenant in case of eviction were passed by the Bombay Legislative Council to-day.

Over 70 amendments were moved by the Opposition, but none except three of a minor character met with the approval of the House.

FIXING OF REASONABLE RENTS

Proceeding commenced with the consideration of clause 12 which vested the power of fixing the reasonable rent in the hands of the mamlatdar and stipulated the factors which were to govern the determining of such rent. A number of amendments to the clause were thrown out by the House and the clause was passed without any change.

The next clause which related to the granting of compensation to a tenant for eviction when the land was not 'bona fide' required by the landlord for agricultural purposes was sought to be modified by the Opposition, through a number of amendments. But no suggestion was accepted by the House and the clause was passed exactly as it had emerged from the Lower House.

Clause 14 of the Bill as accepted by the House laid down that notwithstanding any agreement usage or law, it should not be lawful for any landlord to levy any cess rate, tax or service of any description or denomination whatsoever; from any tenant in respect of any land held by him as a tenant, other than the rent lawfully due in respect of such land.

Amendments to clause 15 which vested the power of fixing the maximum rate of rent in the hands of the Provincial Government were of a minor character.

AMENDMENT ACCEPTED.

The House accepted an amendment moved by Mr. S. C. Joshi to Clause 16 of the Bill which laid down that when the Government remitted or suspended any land revenue due from a landlord, the payment to be made by the tenant should also be remitted or suspended in the same proportion.

Mr. Joshi's amendment which was accepted was to the effect that this concession should be given notwithstanding anything contained in 84 (a) of the Bombay Land Revenue Code of 1879.

Clauses 17 and 18 which referred to the conditions under which a tenant could be evicted from a dwelling place built by him were passed without alteration.

Clause 19 relating to tenant's rights to the trees planted by him was under discussion when the House adjourned till to-morrow.

SHIA-SUNNI DISPUTE NOT YET SETTLED

Azad's Move For Larger Conference

LUCKNOW, Oct. 17.

"Though considerable progress was made and to some extent the points of difference narrowed down, I regret to say that the object of the conference was not achieved and a final solution had not so far been agreed upon," said Moulana Abul Kalam Azad in the course of a lengthy statement to the Press to-day.

BASIS OF SETTLEMENT.

Continuing he said: "The conference appointed a committee which went fully into the matter. At my suggestion, the formula which forms the basis of settlement was as follows:—

Shias and Sunnis should approach the question not from the point of view of legal rights, but in a spirit of mutual accommodation. Thus the Shias, instead of entering into a dispute of such rights, should appeal to the goodwill of the Sunnis, and the Sunnis should give only natural answer to such a fraternal appeal.

The Moulana said that the Shia representatives readily agreed to the approach, and among the Sunni representatives present in the conference several were also agreeable to this friendly approach. But as some representatives of Sunnis did not agree to this method, no agreed solution had been arrived at.

Proceeding Moulana Azad suggested that there would be a larger conference of Muslim representatives on October 26, when the U. P. Assembly would meet and all Muslim members of the Assembly would be present. Some prominent Muslims, who are not members of the Assembly, would be invited to attend this conference.

LARGER CONFERENCE.

Concluding Moulana Azad said: "I had stated previously that, in the event of a settlement not being arrived at, the matter will be referred for the consideration of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee to advise the U. P. Government. I would hesitate to take such a step unless it is made inevitable, as I consider that the right solution of such an internal religious problem should depend on the parties concerned, and not on Government. It is for this reason that I have made the above suggestion of a larger conference."—United Press.

Kashmir Sympathetic To Indian Nationalism

SRINAGAR, Oct. 18.

"From all accounts gathered I am glad to find that the State of Kashmir as a whole is sympathetic towards the development of Indian nationalism", said Dr. B. C. Roy, a member of the Congress Working Committee, when asked to give his impression about the Kashmir State.

Dr. Roy leaves for Abbottabad to-morrow morning.

SHAMDASANI'S APPEAL AGAINST TAXING MASTER

The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice B. J. Wadia at the High Court disposed of the appeal filed by Mr. P. D. Shamdasani against the decision of Mr. Justice Kania dismissing his summons praying for a review of the taxation of four bills of costs in respect of his suit against the Central Bank of India

Mr. Justice Kania had refused to entertain the summons on the ground that the certificates of the Taxing Master with the judgment annexed had not been filed.

In the course of his judgment, the Chief Justice observed that a fee of Rs. 2 for each certificate with the judgment annexed was all that the appellant could be required to pay. According to him, a day or two before the summons was due to be heard, he had gone to the Prothonotary's office and offered to pay the filing fees of Rs. 4, Rs. 2 for each certificate with the judgment annexed, but the office demanded Re. 1 more for the judgment which he refused to pay.

The appellant further stated that at the hearing of the summons, he had tendered to pay at the rate of Rs. 2 for filing charges. But this was not borne out by the note taken by the Associate which his lordship accepted as final.

The question then arose whether the certificate should have been filed. If a party wanted to challenge the order of the Taxing Master in review, he must somehow get the certificate and judgment on the records of the court, before the summons could be heard.

As the certificate had not been filed, the strict order to be made on this appeal was to dismiss it with costs. Their lordships, however, were prepared to restore the summons to be heard on merits on the appellant paying the filing fee of Rs. 2 for each of the certificates.

Their lordships directed the summons to be restored on the appellant paying the filing fees, and in that event, Rs. 5,000 deposited by the appellant must remain with court to abide the result of the taxation.

In default of payment of the filing fees within the prescribed time, the appeal was to be dismissed with costs.

SOCIAL INSURANCE IN DENMARK

(Continued from page 6.)

ordinarily low considering the standards, for deficits are met out of the revenues of the communes (local bodies) which own them the urban and the surrounding rural communes have joint ownership. Members of sick clubs are charged by the hospital a special concession fee, about half the usual rate. If a member needs to go to a clinic outside his own commune, although the sick clubs cannot arrange payment direct with the clinic, do refund to him an amount equal to what it would have cost the club in a hospital in its own area. Conveyance charges are also often borne. Most of the Doctors in Denmark are engaged in insurance practice. They get their fees except the hospital physicians from the sick clubs, sometimes in proportion to their service, sometimes to the number of patients.

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Turko-Soviet Talks Break Down

Sequel To Rivalry In Balkans

Ankara To Sign Pact With Allies

German Emissary Leaves Disappointed For Berlin

PARIS: October 18.

RIVALRY IN THE BALKANS IS SEEN BY "LE PETIT JOURNAL" AS THE CAUSE FOR THE BREAK-DOWN OF THE TURKO-SOVIET TALKS.

IT SAYS THAT RUSSIAN IMPERIALISM DEMANDS TO BE ALONE IN THE BALKANS, WHILE THE TURKISH POWER WOULD END THE DAY TURKEY CEASED TO BE A BALKAN POWER.

Put In Cold Storage

"LE JOUR" SAYS THAT THE TURKO-RUSSIAN NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN PUT IN COLD STORAGE, AND M. SARAJOGLU HAS NO INTENTION OF RETURNING TO MOSCOW.—Reuter.

TURKEY TO SIGN PACT WITH ALLIES

Von Papen's Sudden Departure For Berlin Causes Sensation

ANKARA, Oct. 18.

Baron Von Papen left last night for Berlin. The suddenness of his departure has caused astonishment in well-informed circles.

The Russo-Turkish negotiations ended without an agreement being reached, and it is now understood in well-informed circles in Ankara, according to Reuter's Istanbul correspondent, that Turkey will sign mutual assistance agreements with Britain and France before the week-end.

The Prime Minister stated that no agreement was reached as a result of the Moscow negotiations, says a cable from Ankara.

Soviet's Impossible Proposals

LONDON, Oct. 18.

The fact that M. Sarajoglu had reached no agreement in Moscow was revealed by the Prime-Minister Mr. Saydam who told the Parliamentary Group of the People's Republican Party that the reason was that the U. S. S. R. had presented M. Sarajoglu with completely new proposals which it was impossible to reconcile with the obligations which Russia knew had been incurred between Turkey and Britain and France.

"Furthermore," the Prime Minister said, "from the point of view of our security the guarantees offered us did not compensate for the obligations we were asked to incur in return. The Soviet demands were not considered compatible with Turkish policy.

"On the question of the Dardanelles, Turkey considered that it was essential she should not bind herself to stipulations other than those provided under her international engagements of a general order. For these reasons it was not possible to reach a definite result. Our relations with the U. S. S. R. continue, nevertheless, on a solid basis of friendship."

CONTACT TO BE CONTINUED.

M. Sarajoglu left Moscow for Turkey at midnight on Tuesday. The Tass Agency has issued the following statement:—

M. Sarajoglu's stay provided the occasion for a comprehensive exchange of views between Turkish and the Soviet Governments regarding the relations between the U. S. S. R. and Turkey. The exchange of views was conducted in a cordial atmosphere conforming with the friendly relations between the two countries and common efforts to maintain peace. The two Governments reached the conclusion that it was desirable to maintain contact in the future for a joint discussion of questions of interest to the U. S. S. R. and Turkey.

"FIRST SERIOUS DEFEAT"

Commenting on the breakdown of Turko-Russian negotiations the "Herald Tribune", New York says: "It looks as if Russians have met their first serious diplomatic defeat."

The Jubbulpore District Political Conference which was to meet at Katni on October 11 and 12 under the presidentship of Shree Acharya Narendra Dev has been postponed till the last week of October.

Women and children injured in a German air-raid on a Warsaw suburb being let out to safer quarters.

SOVIET DESIGNS IN NEAR EAST

Russia Out To Assert Lost Sway In Iran, Says "New York Times"

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.

The Soviet has extended her designs to the Near East, according to diplomatic circles in Washington quoted by the "New York Times" correspondent, who states: "Through the medium of trade negotiations Russia is said to be seeking to reassert her lost sway in northern Iran."

The correspondent says this is regarded as vitally important here because of Iran's strategic position in the Near East. How strongly Soviet pretensions are being pushed is a matter of conjecture in Washington.

SHORTAGE OF CHEMICALS AND MILL MATERIALS

Ahmedabad Mills To Close Night Shifts?

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Oct. 18.

The Bihari Marsdan Monogram and the Hari Vallubh Mulchand Mills have put on notices of closing the night shifts due to the considerable shortage of chemicals and the high prices of mill material. More mills are likely to take a similar action in the near future. The Millowners' Association is trying to get chemicals and mill materials through Government Association. Washington.—Reuter.

Peace Move In Scandinavian Powers' Conference

Roosevelt And Mussolini May Be Approached To Be General Peace Mediators?

LONDON, Oct. 18.

Reuter learns that although no agenda has been published for the conference on October 18 at Stockholm between the Kings of Sweden, Norway and Denmark and the President of Finland and their respective Foreign Ministers of these states, it is reported that the possibility of a peace move and the Soviet-Finnish negotiations will be discussed.

According to a Helsinki report the conference will consider asking President Roosevelt and Signor Mussolini to assume the role of general peace mediators.

FINLAND'S INDEPENDENCE NOT TO BE BARTERED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.

M. Kalinin has informed President Roosevelt that the present negotiations between the Soviet and Finland are being conducted in conformity with recognition of the independence of Finland and with the aim of strengthening friendly co-operation between the two countries.

Megalomaniac Amidst Flatterers And Extremists

Sir Nevile Henderson's Estimate Of Hitler

LONDON: October 17.

It constitutes a graphic pen-picture drawn with mordant candour of Hitler as a character for future study by a biographer with psychological leanings—a megalomaniac surrounded by 'yes-men' and encouraged by extremists, notably at the time of the invasion of Czechoslovakia, to hoist the skull and crossbones of a pirate on a German ship of state.

There is surprising reason to believe, says Sir Nevile Henderson, that Hitler himself was disagreeably astonished at the reaction provoked in Britain and the world generally by the occupation of Prague and the breach of faith with Mr. Chamberlain.

HITLER IN SEPT. 38 AND AUG. 39.

Sir Nevile Henderson harks back to "the major disaster" when after Marshal von Blomberg's marriage in 1938, moderate elements like Marsal von Blomberg, Baron von Neurath and General von Fritsch were excluded from the Fuehrer's entourage and coming to later times, expresses the conviction that Hitler was no more bluffing in September 1938 than in August 1939.

Hitler's desire for British friendship is also apparent throughout the incidents recorded in the document which registers the opinion that Germany ordered the advance into Poland on August 25. The subsequent delay was probably due to a desire to detach Britain from Poland.

Hitler had an unlimited confidence in the Army and the Air Force, however, and certainly he was not averse from using them in Poland. "In two months he told me," continues Sir Nevile Henderson, "war in the East would be ended." He would then hurl 160 divisions against the West if England was so unwise as to oppose his plans.

EXTREMISTS' MANOEUVRE.

Sir Nevile Henderson alludes to Hitler's friendly and reasonable demeanour during the negotiations in the last days of August until August 29 when the Press published an allegation of the murder of six Germans in Poland, which story which was probably exaggerated by extremists in fear lest he should be weakening.

An interview that day, however, closed with an honest harangue about Hitler's constant endeavour to win British friendship, his respect for the British Empire and liking for Englishmen generally.

Sir Nevile Henderson turns aside to assess Hitler's character and mentality and remarks that like many Germans he combines admiration for the British race, envy of their achievement and hatred of their opposition to Germany's excessive aspirations. He courted Britain as representing aristocracy and as the most successful of the Nordic races. He believed he could buy British acquiescence in his own far-reaching schemes by offers of alliance and guarantees for the British Empire. His great mistake was his complete failure to understand the inherent British sense of morality, humanity and freedom.—Reuter.

BIHAR LABOUR ENQUIRY

Future Sittings Of Committee At Wardha

PATNA, Oct. 18.

The Labour Enquiry Committee appointed by the Bihar Government met at the Secretariat this afternoon, and it was decided to have future sittings of the Committee at Wardha from October 27 to suit the convenience of Babu Rajendra Prasad.

The Committee was to discuss and draft its report, and as the services of its Chairman would not have been available on account of his departure for Wardha tomorrow, it was thought advisable to have further meetings at Wardha.—United Press.

NAD HABBA CELEBRATIONS IN BIJAPUR

Mr. V. V. Mudholkar, Secretary Hindu Mahasabha writes from Bijapur that there is no truth in the statement "Lingayats boycott Festival" as it appeared in the "Times of India." He states that "it is not proper to celebrate ceremonials like those of Nad-Habba this year at a time when there prevails an atmosphere of dissatisfaction amongst the people of Karnatak due to the Ramdurg tragic affair and Davar's report in connection therewith.

Village Products Store At Allahabad

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Oct. 18.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of Allahabad Rural Development Association held at Anand Bhawan, it was decided to open a divisional store for products of village industries and open three spinning and weaving centres. Mr. B. K. Ghosal, Assistant Director of Industries attended the meeting.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

One person has at last been found who is entirely satisfied with the Viceroy's speech. But then Khan Bahadur Cooper could have been satisfied even without reading it.

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The number of Parsee families who are getting habituated to the dinner jacket as the normal attire for dinner and cinema is on the increase.

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Several expectant politicians will be found at home these days, waiting to be called by Government House on business of State.

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Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim Bart, has had a tiring day, trying to locate his chief, Mr. Jinnah. But then Mr. Jinnah is always so elusive.

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Mr. Rashid Baig complains that all parties have not been heard by the Viceroy. The reference is to the exclusion of a Progressive Grouper from the 52 selected for the trip to the headquarters.

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Mr. Behram Karanjia doesn't really mind whether the goal of India is Dominion Status or not, so long as everything remains the same in the Corporation for the rest of his tenure of office.

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The Viceroy thinks that he has created the right atmosphere for the presentation of a stud bull.

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I understand that the Asian Club will probably send an ultimatum to the Viceroy. Already as a protest they sit with their backs to the Yacht Club.

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The music of the Taj is distinctly improving. The pianist put all he can into the piano, but one wishes the crooner could put a little less. One day he will just exhause himself.

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